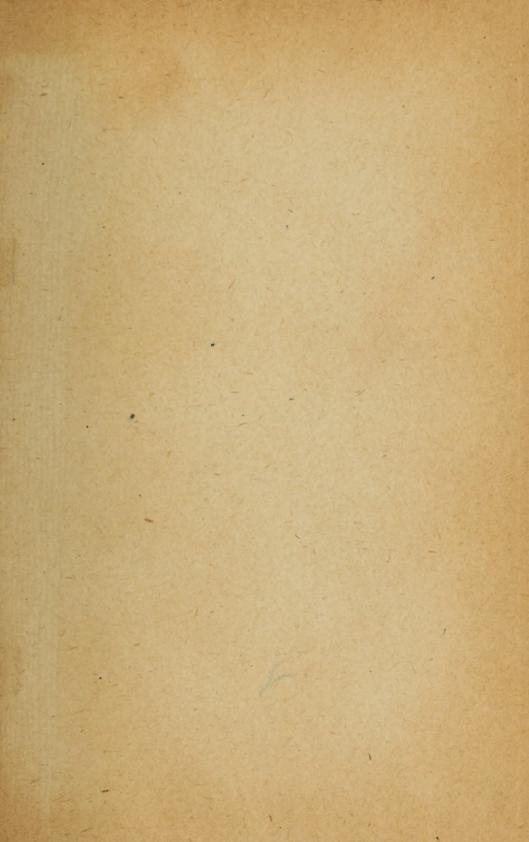
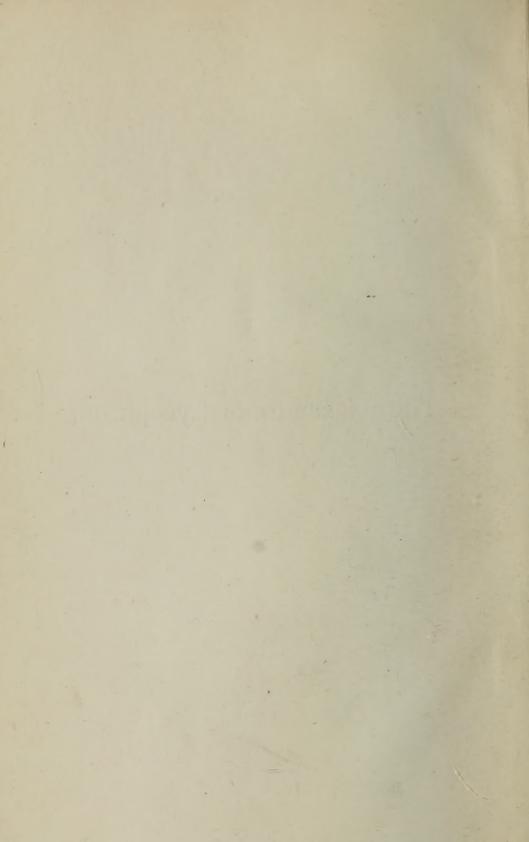


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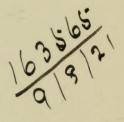
### ALEXANDRA OF LYCOPHRON

With English Translation and Explanatory Notes

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### PREFACE.

It is hoped that a new English translation may prove helpful to the readers of Lycophron, who hitherto have been few in number. His obscurity is proverbial, and the general feeling of students towards his work is expressed in the words si non vis intellegi, debes neglegi. It is true that the Alexandra requires a "stout swimmer," and yet, I think, it well repays the labour involved in reading it. Though it is to a large extent devoid of literary merit, still it contains many powerful and impressive passages, and it is interesting as a tour de force which illustrates in a most striking form the display of mythological and antiquarian learning which characterizes many of the later Greek poets.

My aim in the translation has been to give the meaning of the Greek as clearly and simply as possible. I have not endeavoured to reproduce the intricate style and strange diction of Lycophron; a translation which itself requires a translation is of little practical use.

The notes are mainly confined to explanations of the various references which occur in the text; they are not intended to be in any way an adequate commentary on the poem. Its innumerable difficulties and points of historical and geographical interest are discussed at length in the excellent commentaries of von Holzinger and Ciaceri. To the German translation by the former and the Italian translation by the latter, together with their respective commentaries, I am very largely indebted. The French translation by Dehèque has been of little service. The only English translation which I have seen is the very florid and diffuse version by Viscount Royston (Cambridge University Press, 1806, also published in the Classical Journal, London, 1816); it contains nearly 250 lines more than the original.

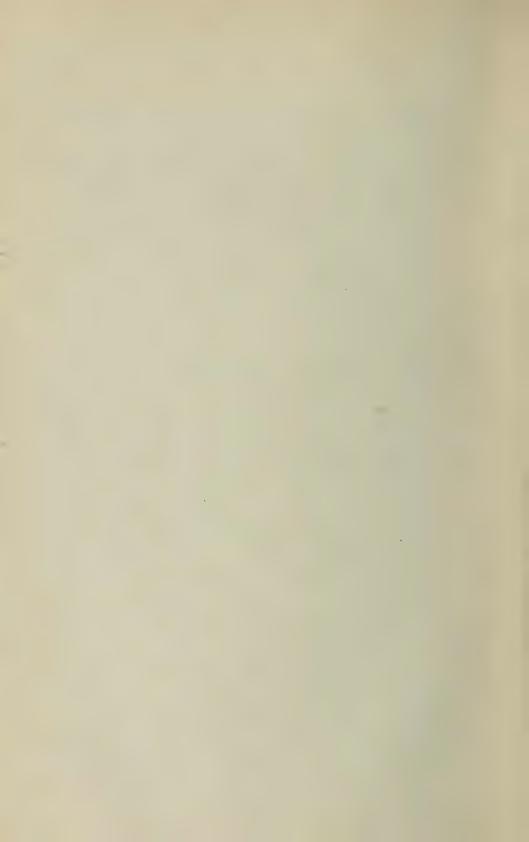
A minute examination of the language of the Alexandra lies outside the scope of this work. The sources and peculiarities of its vocabulary have been made the subject of special studies—e.g., Konze's De Dictione Lycophronis (Leipzig, 1870) and Bury's Studia Lycophronica (published in Hermathena, vol. vi). Most useful also is the Index Vocabulorum in Scheer's edition, which essays to distinguish the words which Lycophron alone uses, those which he was the first to use, those which he borrowed from

old writers, and those which he has in common with other Alexandrian writers.

I have to thank my colleague Professor Goligher for his kindness in reading the proofs and making many valuable suggestions.

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### LIFE AND WRITINGS OF LYCOPHRON.

FEW facts are known with regard to the life of Lycophron. Susemihl<sup>1</sup> assigns 330-325 B.C. as the date of his birth.<sup>2</sup> He was a native of Chalcis in Euboea, son of Socles, and adopted son of the historian Lycus of Rhegium. He came to Alexandria (c. 283 B.C.) in the reign of Ptolemy Philadelphus, who appointed him to arrange the works of the comic poets in the great Alexandrian Library. In connexion with this task, he wrote an exhaustive work  $\pi \epsilon \rho i \kappa \omega \mu \omega \delta i \alpha s$  in at least eleven books, the eleventh being cited by Athenæus.3 He also gained fame at Court as a composer of anagrams (e.g.  $\Pi \tau \circ \lambda \epsilon \mu a \hat{\imath} \circ \varsigma = a \pi \hat{\imath} \circ \mu \epsilon \lambda \iota \tau \circ \varsigma$ , and  $A \rho \sigma \iota \nu \circ \eta = H \rho a \varsigma \circ \iota \circ \iota \circ \iota$ . We are not told whether he spent the rest of his days at Alexandria, and the date and manner of his death are uncertain, Ovid mentioning a tradition that he was slain by an arrow:

Utque cothurnatum cecidisse Lycophrona narrant, Haereat in fibris fixa sagitta tuis.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Gesch. der gr. Litt. in der Alexandrinerzeit, I 272. <sup>2</sup> Bates' view that the date is 320 B.C. is disputed by Ciaceri in the Introduction to his edition. <sup>3</sup> 11. 485d. <sup>4</sup> Ibis 533 sq. Ovid may have derived this from the Ibis of Callimachus.

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Lycophron obtained a place in the Tragic Pleiad.1 Tzetzes puts the number of his tragedies at fortysix or sixty-four. Suidas enumerates some twenty of these :- Αἰόλος, 'Ανδρομέδα, 'Αλήτης, Αἰολίδης, Έλεφήνωρ, 'Ηρακλής, 'Ικέται, 'Ιππόλυτος, Κασσανδρείς, Λάιος, Μαραθώνιοι, Ναύπλιος, Οίδίπους α' β', 'Ορφανός, Πενθεύς, Πελοπίδαι, Σύμμαχοι, Τηλέγονος, Χρύσιππος. The subject-matter of the Κασσανδρείς was taken from contemporary history, dealing with the unhappy fate of the inhabitants of Cassandreia (formerly Potidaea) under the tyrant Apollodorus (c. 280 B.C.) Only four lines of one of his tragedies, the  $\Pi \epsilon \lambda o \pi i \delta a \iota$ , are preserved by Stobaeus.<sup>2</sup> He also wrote a satyric drama, Μενέδημος, on his fellowcountryman, the philosopher Menedemus of Eretria, whose pupil he may have been. Diogenes Laertius<sup>3</sup> describes this as an εγκώμιον τοῦ φιλοσόφου, while Athenaeus says that it was written ἐπὶ καταμωκήσει.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The seven most brilliant tragedians in the time of Ptolemy Philadelphus, the others being Homerus (son of the poetess Myro), Sositheus, Alexander Aetolus, Philiscus, Aeantiades, and Sosiphanes (some lists substituting Dionysiades and Euphronius for the last two names).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Flor. 119. 13:—

<sup>&#</sup>x27;Αλλ' ἡνίκ' ἃν μὲν ἦ πρόσω το κατθανεῖν, ἄδης ποθεῖται τοῖς δεδυστυχηκόσιν' ὅταν δ' ἐφέρπη κῦμα λοισθίου βίου, τὸ ζῆν ποθοῦμεν' οὐ γάρ ἐστ' αὐτοῦ κόρος.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 2. 140. <sup>4</sup> 2. 55d; cf. 10. 420a. In the fragments cited by Athenaeus and Diogenes there is a description given by Silenus to the Satyrs of the meagre fare and intellectual discourse at the table of Menedemus.

The one work of Lycophron's which we still possess is the Alexandra or Cassandra, which is in the form of a ἡῆσις, or messenger's speech in tragedy,¹ the guard set by Priam to watch Cassandra in her prison reporting to the king his daughter's prophecies. It is generally assumed that this poem was composed after the poet had settled at Alexandria, but some critics are strongly of opinion that it was an early work written about 302 B.C. (according to Ciaceri), or 295 B.C. (according to Wilamowitz² and Susemihl). Holzinger, on the other hand, thinks that it was written considerably later (about 274 B.C.), while Clinton³ would date it not earlier than the naval victory of Duilius (260 B.C.), in the first Punic War, which he thinks is referred to in v. 1229.

Doubts were early expressed as to the authorship of the *Alexandra*, especially with reference to vv. 1226-1280 and 1446-1450, the Schol. on the former passage (quoted in the note on v. 1226) apparently attributing the poem to another Lycophron, a view maintained by some in modern times, e.g. by Niebuhr, who held that it was written by another

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The poem comes under no definite literary head (v. Ciaceri, p. 7). It has been variously described as a tragoedia, monodia tragica, tragoedia μονοπρόσωπος, scena dramatica, episches Monodrama, ťauβos, etc. <sup>2</sup> De Lycophronis Alexandra, Greifswald, 1883. <sup>3</sup> Fast. Hellen., Vol. III, p. 13 ad a. 250 B.C. <sup>4</sup> Ueber das Zeitalter Lykophrons des Dunkeln (Rhein. Mus., 1827).

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Lycophron, also of Chalcis, younger than his namesake the tragedian. Wilamowitz, Holzinger, and Ciaceri, though differing in the details of their arguments, agree in defending the unity of the work, and in ascribing it to the tragedian Lycophron.

We know that several ancient grammarians wrote commentaries to elucidate the difficulties of Lycophron's σκοτεινὸν ποίημα (as Suidas styles it), the most important of these being Theon, from whom the extant Scholia are largely derived. A most valuable commentary which still survives is that of the brothers Isaac and John Tzetzes, Greek grammarians of Constantinople in the twelfth century A.D.

### SYNOPSIS OF THE ALEXANDRA.

PROLOGUE of the messenger about to relate to Priam the prophecies of Cassandra, uttered at the time when Paris was setting sail from Troy for Greece (1-30).—The prophecies of Cassandra (31-1460).— She mourns the devastation of Troy by Heracles (31-51).—It shall be sacked again by the Greeks. The death of Paris and Oenone foretold (52-68).— Further lamentations for Troy. Story of Dardanus and his escape from the flood (69-85).—Paris shall visit Greece and carry off Helen. He shall be deprived of her by Proteus, and shall return with a wraith of her to Troy (86-143).—The five husbands of Helen: Theseus and Paris (144-148), Menelaus, grandson of Pelops (149–167), Deiphobus (168–171), Achilles (172-179).—The Greeks in wrath shall avenge the rape of Helen by Paris. To appease the winds at Aulis they shall sacrifice Iphigeneia. The substitution of the doe for Iphigeneia, who is borne off by Artemis to Tauris. Achilles' vain search for her in Scythia (180-201).—Bound by fresh oaths the Greeks shall set sail. At Lesbos Prylis shall reveal to them by what means Troy must be captured. Cycnus and his children slain by Achilles in Tenedos. Achilles' famous leap to the shore at Myrina in the Troad (202-248).—The Trojan land ablaze with war. The slaying of Hector by Achilles and Achilles' own death foretold (249-280).—The burning of the Greek fleet by Hector, and the havoc wrought by him among the Greek chieftains before his death (281-306).—Cassandra mourns the approaching doom of her brother Troilus, her sisters Laodice and Polyxena, and her mother Hecuba (307-334).—Priam shall fall when his city is taken by the Greeks concealed wooden horse (335-347).—Cassandra's ravishment by the Locrian Ajax (348-364).—To avenge Cassandra, Pallas shall send countless ills upon the Greeks, many of whom shall perish on their homeward voyage by the false beacon-lights of Nauplius (365-386).—Drowning of the Locrian Ajax (387-407).—All Hellas shall bewail its dead (408-416).—Phœnix shall find a tomb at Eion (417-423), Calchas, Idomeneus, and Sthenelus at Colophon (424-438), Mopsus and Amphilochus in Cilicia (439-446).—Five of the Greek chiefs shall come to Cyprus and dwell there: (1) Teucer accused by his father Telamon of the death of his brother Ajax. Story of

Hesione, Teucer's mother (447-478); (2) Agapenor the Arcadian. Story of his father Ancaeus (479-493): (3) Acamas. Story of the Dioscuri avenging the rape of Helen by Theseus, and of their conflict with the Apharidae (494-585); (4) Cepheus; (5) Praxander (586-591).—Diomedes shall found the city of Argyrippa in Italy. His comrades, changed into birds, shall dwell on an island called after him. His curse on the land of Daunus, and his deification (592-632).—Others, Boeotians, shall come to the Balearic isles (633-647).—Adventures and sufferings of Odysseus and his comrades on their homeward journey. Odysseus shall be slain by his son Telegonus (648-819).—Wanderings of Menelaus in quest of his lost wife Helen (820-876).—Guneus, Prothous, and Eurypylus shall be wrecked on the shores of Libya (877-908).—Woe upon woe awaits the returning Greeks (909-910).—Philoctetes, slain in Italy, shall be deified there (911-929).—Epeius shall dwell in Lucania and dedicate there the tools with which he built the wooden horse (930-950). -Other Greeks shall settle in Sicily. Story of the Trojan foundation of Egesta, Eryx, and Entella in that land (951-977).—Others shall dwell around the Tarentine gulf. Story of the seer Calchas slain by Heracles, and of the fate of the city of Siris (978992).—Others shall settle in Bruttium and be subject to the Amazon Clete (993-1010).—Nireus and Thoas shall be driven by the winds first to Libya, then to Epeirus, and finally shall settle in Illyria (1011-1026).—Others shall occupy the island of Melite (1027-1033).—Elephenor shall settle in Othronus, and be driven thence by serpents to Epeirus (1034-1046).-Podaleirius shall be buried in Apulia, and his tomb shall furnish oracles in dreams. Fate of the Aetolians who come to claim the lands of Diomedes in Apulia (1047-1066).—The Phocians shall be forced to settle in Bruttium. Setaea, a Trojan captive, shall be crucified for burning the Greek ships near Sybaris (1067-1082).—Other Greek settlements in Lucania (1083-1089).—Those Greeks who return safely from Troy shall meet with no happier fate at home (1090-1098).-Murder of Agamemnon by Clytaemnestra (1099-1107).—With him shall perish Cassandra herself (1108-1119).— Agamemnon shall be avenged by Orestes (1120-1122). -Divine honours shall be paid to Agamemnon and Cassandra after death (1123-1140).—The atonement which the Locrians must make for the wrong done to Cassandra by the Locrian Ajax (1141-1173).— Fate of Hecuba (1174-1188).—Hector's bones shall be brought to Thebes, and he shall be worshipped

there (1189-1213).—Ruin of the house of Idomeneus in Crete (1214-1225).—The glory of Troy shall be revived in Italy by Aeneas and his descendants Romulus and Remus. The fame of Rome foretold (1226-1280).—Conclusion of the prophecy of Greek calamities (1281-1282).—Cassandra inquires how Europe and Asia first came into conflict (1283-1290). —Io carried off from Argolis by the Phoenicians, and, as vengeance therefor, Europa carried off from Phoenicia by the Cretans. Furthermore, the Cretans, under Teucer and Scamander, invade the Troad (1291-1308).—The Argonauts carry off Medea and the golden fleece from Colchis (1309-1321).—Theseus and Heracles carry off Antiope, the queen of the Amazons, and the girdle of Hippolyte. The Amazons then devastate Attica (1322-1340).—Ilus sacks Thrace, and Heracles, to avenge this outrage, lays waste Troy (1341-1350).—Then Tyrrhenus, the son of Atys, king of Lydia, makes conquests in Italy (1351-1361).—Paris revives the old feud by carrying off Helen, and the Greeks retaliate. First Agamemnon, then Orestes, then Neleus, then the Dorians invade Asia Minor (1362-1396).-Midas avenges Asia by subduing the whole of Thrace (1397-1408).--After many blows dealt by Ares to both continents, Xerxes shall lay waste Greece and

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burn Athens before his disastrous retreat (1409–1434).—Then shall follow many conflicts by land and sea, and the long struggle shall be ended by a mighty victor sprung from both Aeacus and Dardanus (1435–1445).—With him a kinsman of Cassandra having fought shall establish peace and friendship (1446–1450).—Cassandra bewails the futility of her prophecies, which none shall heed till it be too late (1451–1460).—The messenger concludes his narrative with a prayer for the safeguarding of Priam's realm (1461–1474).

## PRINCIPAL MANUSCRIPTS OF THE ALEXANDRA.

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A = Cod. Marcian. Ven. 476, 11th cent.

V = Cod. Vatic. 1307, derived from A.

B = Cod. Paris. Coisl. 345, 10th cent.

C = Cod. Paris. 2723, 13th cent.

D = Cod. Paris. 2403, 13th cent.

# PRINCIPAL EDITIONS OF THE ALEXANDRA.

ED. princ. Aldina, Venice, 1513; Lecisius, Basel, 1546, 1547; Paris (apud Jacob. Bogardum), 1547; Canter, Basel, 1566; Meursius, Leyden, 1597, 1599; Potter, Oxford, 1697, 1702; Reichard, Leipzig, 1788; Sebastiani, Rome, 1803; Müller, Leipzig, 1811 (3 vols., including the Scholia of the brothers Tzetzes, intended to complete Reichard's ed.); Bachmann, Leipzig, 1830; Dehèque, Paris, 1853; Kinkel, Leipzig, 1880; Scheer, Berlin, vol. I, 1881; vol. II (the Scholia), 1908; von Holzinger, Leipzig, 1895; Ciaceri, Catania, 1901.

### CORRIGENDA.

Line 146 (Greek text). For πευτάγαμβρα read πευτάγαμβρα. Line 367 (Greek text). For χοιράδων read χοιράδων.

### ΛΥΚΟΦΡΟΝΟΣ ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΑ.

### ΛΥΚΟΦΡΟΝΟΣ

Λέξω τὰ πάντα νητρεκώς, ἄ μ' ίστορεῖς, άρχης ἀπ' ἄκρας ἡν δὲ μηκυνθή λόγος, σύγγνωθι, δέσποτ' ου γαρ ήσυχος κόρη έλυσε χρησμών, ώς πρίν, αλόλον στόμα άλλ' ἄσπετον χέασα παμμιγῆ βοήν, 5 δαφνηφάγων φοίβαζεν έκ λαιμων όπα, Σφιγγός κελαινής γηρυν έκμιμουμένη. των άσσα θυμώ καὶ διὰ μνήμης έχω, κλύοις αν, ωναξ, καναπεμπάζων φρενί πυκυή, διοίχνει δυσφάτους αλνιγμάτων 10 οίμας τυλίσσων, ήπερ εύμαθης τρίβος ορθή κελεύθω ταν σκότω ποδηγετεί. έγω δ' ἄκραν βαλβίδα μηρίνθου σχάσας, άνειμι λοξων είς διεξύδους έπων, πρώτην αράξας νύσσαν, ώς πτηνός δρομεύς. 15 'Ηως μεν αιπύν ἄρτι Φηγίου πάγον

κραιπνοίς ύπερποτάτο Πηγάσου πτεροίς,

1. The guard set by Priam to watch Cassandra now reports to him her prophecies. Priam had ordered his daughter to be kept under careful watch in a lonely building, regarding her as a mad woman whose forebodings were disquieting the Trojan people.

6. Leaves of bay were eaten (e.g. by the Pythian priestess) to stimulate prophetic utterance; cf. Mayor on Juv. 7. 19, laurumque

momordit.

7. The epithet κελαινης may denote either the dark nature of the Sphinx's riddle (cf. Stat. Silv. 5. 3. 157, latebrasque Lycophronis atri) or, more probably, her cruelty towards the Thebans who failed to guess it; thus she is called ἀμόσιτος, Aesch. Th. 541. Bachmann,

### ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΑ.

ALL that thou askest truly shall I tell	
E'en from the first; and, if the tale be long,	
Pardon, my lord; not calmly as before	
The maid unloosed her riddling oracles;	
But, pouring forth vast mass of cries confused,	5
From bay-devouring throat did prophesy;	
Her voice the echo of the cruel Sphinx.	
To what of this my heedful mind retains,	
Give ear, O king, and, wisely pondering,	
Traverse the paths obscure of puzzling speech,	10
Winding the clew where traces well defined	
By a straight road through what is dark conduct.	
I burst the rope which holds the runners back,	
And enter on the course of mazy words,	
Spurning the starting-line like racer fleet.	15
Now o'er the peak of Phegium the Dawn	
Soared on the speedy wings of Pegasus;	

Konze, and others explain  $\kappa \in \lambda a i \nu \delta s$  as = horrendus, furiosus in vv. 7, 325, 471, 1169 (but cf. Soph. Aj. 231, etc.), 1188 (but cf. Od. 10. 525, etc.), 1256, 1425.

11. The reference is to the story of Theseus escaping from the Cretan labyrinth by winding in the thread given to him by Ariadne; cf. Ov. Her. 10. 104, fila per adductas saepe recepta manus.

13. I follow the explanation given by Gardiner (Gr. Athl. Festivals, p. 277), "bursting through the balbis rope."

16. Phegium was a mountain in Aethiopia.

17. Eos received from Zeus the winged horse Pegasus when he had thrown off his rider Bellerophon.

Τιθωνον έν κοίταισι της Κέρνης πέλας	
λιπούσα, τὸν σὸν ἀμφιμήτριον κάσιν.	
οί δ' ούσα γρώνης εὐγάληνα χερμάδος	20
ναῦται λίαζον κἀπὸ γῆς ἐσχάζοσαν	
υσπληγγας. αί δὲ παρθενοκτόνον Θέτιν	
λουλόπεζοι θείνον εὐωπες σπάθαις	
πελαργοχρώτες, αί Φαλακραΐαι κόραι,	
ύπερ Καλυδνων λευκά φαίνουσαι πτίλα,	25
άφλαστα, καὶ φώσσωνας ωργυιωμένους	
απαρκτίαις πρηστήρος αιθωνος πνοαίς.	
ή δ' ἔνθεον σχάσασα βακχεῖον στόμα	
"Ατης ἀπ' ἄκρων βουπλανοκτίστων λόφων	
τοιωνδ' ἀπ' ἀρχῆς ἤρχ' 'Αλεξάνδρα λόγων'	30

Αἰαῖ, τάλαινα θηλαμῶν κεκαυμένη, καὶ πρόσθε μὲν πεύκαισιν οὐλαμηφόροις τριεσπέρου λέοντος, ὅν ποτε γνάθοις Τρίτωνος ἠμάλαψε κάρχαρος κύων. ἔμπνους δὲ δαιτρὸς ἡπάτων φλοιδούμενος 35 τινθῷ λέβητος ἀφλόγοις ἐπ' ἐσχάραις

18. Cerne was an island off the W. coast of Africa.

19. Tithonus, husband of Eos, was son of Laomedon and Rhoeo; Priam was son of Laomedon and Leucippe.

20. The ships of Paris were leaving the Troad for Greece in fair

weather.

21.  $\epsilon \sigma \chi \alpha \zeta \sigma \sigma \alpha \nu = \epsilon \sigma \chi \alpha \zeta \sigma \nu$ , cf.  $\pi \epsilon \phi \rho \iota \kappa \alpha \nu = \pi \epsilon \phi \rho \iota \kappa \alpha \sigma \iota$ , 252 infr. These forms are said by the Schol. to belong to the Chalcidian and Eretrian dialect.

22. Helle was drowned in the Hellespont while she was being borne along with Phrixus to Colchis by the ram with the golden fleece.

24. Phalacra was a peak of Mt. Ida from which the timber for the

Trojan ships was got.

25. The Calydnae were islets off Troy near Tenedos (v. 347). It is doubtful whether  $\pi\tau i\lambda \alpha$  (lit. "wings") means "oars" (cf. Od. 11. 125) or "sails."

29. When Ate was hurled from heaven by Zeus (Il. 19. 126 sqq.)

Tithonus on his couch near Cerne's isle She left, thy brother from another's womb. The peaceful cables from the hollowed stone 20 The crews were coiling, loosing from the land Stern-hawsers; and the sea where Helle sank Was smitten with the plashing blades of oars By many-footed, shapely, stork-hued ships, Phalacra-born; past the Calydnae showed 25 Their flashing oars, poop-ornaments, and sails That bellied to the north-wind's fiery blast. Then heaven-inspired she loosed her frenzied tongue On Ate's hill, where once a roaming cow Marked out a site, and thus Cassandra spake: 30

Woe! luckless town, my nurse, already once Fired by the foemen from the fleet of one Begotten in three nights, that lion whom The jaws of Triton's sharp-fanged hound consumed: Living he carved its vitals, but, being burnt 35 By steam from cauldron on a fireless hearth,

she fell on a hill in Phrygia. Ilus was bidden by oracle to found a city where the cow, which had been given him by the Phrygian king as a prize for wrestling, should lead him. The cow lay down at the foot of Ate's hill, and Ilium was built there.

30. 'Αλεξάνδρα: see on 1128 infr.
33. Heracles was begotten by Zeus from Alcmene, wife of

Amphitryon.

34. The sea-monster (here called "Triton's hound" as coming from the depths of the sea) was sent by Poseidon to ravage Troy when Laomedon had cheated him of his reward for building the walls of the city. Laomedon exposed his daughter Hesione to be devoured by the monster, and promised his immortal steeds to whoever should slay it. Heracles slew it by passing alive into its belly and cutting through its entrails. Laomedon defrauded him by giving him only mortal steeds, and Heracles sacked Troy as vengeance.

36. The intense heat of the monster's maw made Heracles' hair

drop off.

σμήριγγας έστάλαξε κωδείας πέδω, ό τεκνοραίστης, λυμεών έμης πάτρας, ό δευτέραν τεκούσαν άτρωτον βαρεί τύψας ἀτράκτω στέρνον, έν τ' αὐλω μέσω 40 πατρός παλαιστού γερσίν όγμάσας δέμας, Κοόνου παρ' αἰπὸν ὄχθον, ἔνθα γηγενοῦς ίππων ταρακτής έστιν Ίσχένου τάφος, δ την θαλάσσης Αὐσονίτιδος μυχούς στενούς οπιπεύουσαν άγρίαν κύνα 45 κτανών ύπερ σπήλυγγος ίχθυωμένην, ταυροσφάγον λέαιναν, ην αδθις πατηρ σάρκας καταίθων λοφνίσιν δωμήσατο, Λέπτυνιν οὐ τρέμουσαν, οὐδαίαν θεόν έξηνάριξεν ον ποτ' αξίφω δόλω 50 νέκυς, τὸν "Αιδην δεξιούμενον πάλαι. λεύσσω σε, τλημον, δεύτερον πυρουμένην, ταῖς τ' Αἰακείοις χερσί, τοῖς τε Ταντάλου

38. Heracles, when stricken by madness, slew the children whom

Megara bore to him; cf. Eurip. Herc. Fur.

39. Hera, as wife of Zeus who was father of Heracles by Alcmene, was second mother or step-mother to Heracles. She was also said to have suckled him as an infant (v. 1328). The gods were accounted wound-proof; cf. Pind. Isth. 3. 18,  $\tilde{\alpha}\tau\rho\omega\tau\sigma\iota$ .  $\pi\alpha\hat{\imath}\delta\epsilon$ s  $\theta\epsilon\hat{\omega}\nu$ . The wounding of Hera by Heracles is told of in Il. 5. 392 sqq.

41. Zeus and Heracles were the first wrestlers at Olympia ( $\alpha \nu \lambda \delta s = \text{running-track}$ , cf.  $\delta(\alpha \nu \lambda \delta s)$ . Another legend was that Zeus wrestled with Cronos for the possession of Olympia. The hill of Cronos lay to

the north of the Olympian plain.

43. The giant Ischenus was son of Hermes. He sacrificed himself as the victim demanded by oracles to stay a famine. Offerings were made to him at the Olympic Games on a kind of circular altar called  $T\alpha\rho\dot{\alpha}\xi\iota\pi\pi\sigma s$  because horses shied at it and chariots were upset.

44. The Straits of Messina were the home of Scylla; cf. Od. 12. 85 sqq., where her name is connected with  $\sigma\kappa\dot{\nu}\lambda\alpha\xi$ , and she is represented as having twelve feet and six long necks each with a head containing three rows of teeth, the heads rising above the cave in the depths of

Dropped to the ground the bristles from his head, That child-destrover, ruin of my land. His second mother, though immune from wounds, His shaft smote on the breast, and in the ring 40 He stoutly gripped his father's wrestling form By Cronos' lofty hill, where lies the tomb Of earth-born Ischenus, that frightens steeds. He slew the savage hound who closely watched The narrow straits of the Ausonian sea. 45 And fished above the cave; the lioness, The steer-devourer, whom again her sire Burning her flesh with torches did remake; Nought now she fears Leptynis, queen below. Him the dead slew by swordless guile alone, 50 Though he had worsted Hades' self of yore. I see thee, woeful town, again in flames, Due to an Aeacid's destructive hands,

which she was plunged from the waist downwards. See also on 650 infr.

**46**. ἰχθυωμένην: cf. ἰχθυάα, Od. 12. 95.

47. Scylla robbed Heracles of the oxen of Geryon and was slain by him (v. 651). Her father, the sea-god Phorcys, restored her to life by burning her flesh.

49. By Λέπτυνιν is meant Persephone (την λεπτύνουσαν τὰ σώματα

των ἀποθανόντων, Schol.).

50. The centaur Nessus, who was slain by Heracles for offering violence to Deianeira, charged Deianeira with his dying breath to cherish his blood as a love-philtre. This was used on Heracles with fatal results (v. Soph. Tr. 555 sqq.).

51. δεξιούμενον (= χειρωσάμενον) refers to the wounding of Hades

by Heracles in the battle of Pylus (11. 5. 395 sqq.).
52. Cassandra prophesies the second destruction of Troy. Three things were essential to compass its downfall: (I) the presence of a Greek warrior descended from Aeacus, (2) the bones of Pelops, (3) the bow of Heracles.

53. The Aeacid is Neoptolemus, son of Achilles and great-grandson

of Aeacus.

Λέτριναν οἰκουροῦσι λειψάνοις πυρὸς	
παιδὸς καταβρωθέντος αἰθάλφ δέμας,	55
τοῖς Τευταρείοις βουκόλου πτερώμασι	
τὰ πάντα πρὸς φῶς ἡ βαρύζηλος δάμας	
στείλασα κούρον τὸν κατήγορον χθονὸς	
άξει, πατρός μομφαίσιν ήγριωμένη,	
λέκτρων θ' εκατι των τ' επεισάκτων γάμων.	60
αὐτη δὲ φαρμακουργός, οὐκ ἰάσιμον	
έλκος δρακούσα του ξυνευνέτου λυγρόν,	
Γιγαντοραίστοις ἄρδισιν τετρωμένου	
προς ανθοπλίτου, ξυνον ογχήσει μόρον,	
πύργων ἀπ' ἄκρων πρός νεόδμητον νέκυν	65
ροιζηδον εκβράσασα κύμβαχον δέμας	
πόθω δε του θανόντος ηγκιστρωμένη,	
ψυχην περισπαίροντι φυσήσει νεκρώ.	
Στένω, στένω σε δισσά καὶ τριπλά, δορός	
αὖθις πρὸς ἀλκὴν καὶ διαρπαγὰς δόμων	70
καὶ πῦρ ἐναυγάζουσαν αἰστωτήριον.	
στένω σε, πάτρα, καὶ τάφους 'Ατλαντίδος	
δύπτου κέλωρος, ός ποτ' εν ραπτώ κύτει,	

54. The bones of Pelops were kept after his death at Letrina, a

city in Elis near Olympia.

55. καταβρωθέντος: Tantalus, father of Pelops, boiled the flesh of his young son and set it before the gods at a banquet. Demeter alone ate of it, consuming the shoulder. Pelops was restored to life by Hermes, and Demeter replaced his shoulder with one of ivory.

56. Teutarus was a Scythian herdsman, in the service of Amphitryon, who taught Heracles the use of the bow and gave to him his own bow. The asyndeton in this line is very harsh, and Holzinger suggests that the original order may have been 52-56-53-55-54. Scheer boldly reads  $\tau o s$   $\tau$  Edtarpelois, assuming that the herdsman's name was Eutarus.

57. The ruin of Troy shall be brought to pass by the jealousy of Oenone, wife of Paris, who, incensed by his union with Helen and by the taunts of her own father Cebren, sent her son Corythus to act as guide to the attacking Greeks.

The ashes in Letrina kept of him Whom Tantalus begot and fire devoured, 55 And to the shafts of Teutarus the herd. All this the jealous wife shall bring to light, Who sends her son forth to betray his land, Infuriated by her sire's rebuke And by the marriage with a foreign bride. 60 Yet she, well versed in healing, when she sees Her husband's grievous wound incurable, Dealt by a foeman with the arrow-heads Which slew the Giants, shall his death-doom share, As from the lofty towers she casts herself 65 In headlong whirl upon the new-slain corpse. She, drawn by eager longing for the dead, Shall breathe her life forth on his quivering form.

I moan, I moan for thee, yea twice and thrice,
My town, which seest again the might of arms
70
With pillaged homes and devastating fire.
I moan for thee, my country, and the tomb
Of him, Electra's son, the diver who

<sup>61.</sup> Oenone had told Paris to come to her if he were wounded. When wounded by Philoctetes he came to her on Mount Ida, but in her wrath against Helen she refused to cure him. Paris was carried back to Troy, but died on the way. Oenone repented too late, and sought to overtake him; but when she reached him she found him dead. Some say she hanged herself. Tennyson makes her throw herself on his pyre.

<sup>63.</sup> Philoctetes wounded Paris with the bow of Heracles, who had aided Zeus and the other gods in their fight against the Giants.

<sup>72.</sup> Dardanus was son of Zeus and Electra, daughter of Atlas. When Samothrace was overwhelmed by the deluge in the days of Deucalion, he escaped to Mount Ida on a raft of inflated skins with a bladder or wine-skin tied round his body. His tomb was a landmark at Troy.

όποῖα πορκὸς Ἰστριεὸς τετρασκελής,	
ασκώ μονήρης αμφελυτρώσας δέμας,	75
'Ρειθυμνιάτης κέπφος ως ἐνήξατο,	
Ζήρυνθον ἄντρον τῆς κυνοσφαγοῦς θεᾶς	
λιπών, ἐρυμνὸν κτίσμα Κυρβάντων Σάον	
ότ' ημάθυνε πᾶσαν δμβρήσας χθόνα	
Ζηνὸς καχλάζων νασμός. οἱ δὲ πρὸς πέδω	80
πύργοι κατηρείπουτο, τοὶ δὲ λοισθίαν	
νήχοντο μοῖραν προθμμάτων δεδορκότες.	
φηγον δέ, και δρύκαρπα, και γλυκύν βότρυν	
φάλλαι τε καὶ δελφῖνες, αι τ' ἐπ' ἀρσένων	
φέρβοντο φῶκαι λέκτρα θουρῶσαι βροτῶν.	85
Λεύσσω θέοντα γρυνὸν ἐπτερωμένον	
τρήρωνος είς ἄρπαγμα Πεφναίας κυνός,	
ην τόργος ύγρόφοιτος ἐκλοχεύεται,	
κελυφάνου στρόβιλον ωστρακωμένην.	
Καὶ δή σε ναύτην Αχερουσία τρίβος	90
καταιβάτις πύγαργον, οὐ πατρὸς κόπρους	

74. πορκόs is usually explained as a boar (Lat porcus), but Holzinger seems right in taking it of a wicker fishing-weel, supported on four stakes, used near the Danube's mouth. Dardanus, with the bladder on his body and his arms and legs free, roughly resembled this.

76. Rheithymna was a town in Crete, apparently a haunt of birds.
77. The Zerynthian cave was on the N. of the island of Samothrace.
There was another Zerynthus on the coast of Thrace. Dogs were

sacrificed to Hecate.

78.  $\Sigma \acute{a}os$  or  $\Sigma \acute{a}\mu os$  was a name not only of Samothrace, but also of the old walled town at the northern point of the island. Most Edd. take  $\Sigma \acute{a}o\nu$  in app. with  $Z\acute{\eta}\rho$ .  $\acute{a}\nu\tau\rho o\nu$ , but Holzinger rightly governs  $\Sigma \acute{a}o\nu$  by  $\mathring{\eta}\mu \acute{a}\theta \nu \nu \epsilon$ ; for the order of words cf. 538. The flood submerged even Saus with its Cyclopean walls and towers. The Corybantes, like the Cabeiri, were  $\delta a \acute{\iota} \mu o \nu \epsilon s$  inhabiting Samothrace.

85. An instance of this peculiarity of the female seal is given in

Aelian, H.A. 4. 56.

86. The "firebrand" is Paris, whose ships oars or sails are likened to wings (cf. 25 n.). Before the birth of Paris his mother Hecuba dreamt that she bore a firebrand which consumed the city of Troy.

On well-stitched raft, like Istrian four-staked weel, His body girt with wine-skin, all alone 75 Swam forth as a Rheithymnian coot and left Zerynthus, the dog-slaying goddess' cave, What time the rattling rain of Zeus destroyed Saus, the strong-built Corybantian fort, In streaming floods submerging all the earth. 80 Towers to the ground fell crashing, and the men Were swimming with their fate before their eyes; While acorns, tree fruits, and the luscious grape Became the food of dolphins and of whales And seals who lust for human intercourse. 85 I see that winged firebrand speeding forth To seize the lewd Pephnaean hound as prey, The dove which the wild water-fowl did breed Encased within an eggshell's covering round. And lo! thou lily-livered sailor, thee 90

87. The reference is to the rape of Helen. Pephnus was a haven on the W. coast of Laconia, and there was also an islet of the same name. It was the birthplace of her brothers, the Dioscuri, and so

Helen may have been supposed to have been born there.

That path which leads to Hades shall receive,

88. There were two legends about the birth of Helen:—(1) Zeus took the form of a swan, and Leda brought forth an egg from which Helen was born; (2) Helen was the daughter of Nemesis, who unsuccessfully took the form of a bird to escape from Zeus, and produced the egg containing Helen. As  $\tau \delta \rho \gamma \sigma s$  properly means a kite or vulture (cf. 357, 1080), and would forcibly describe the passionate amours of Zeus, it may be the former of these two legends which Lycophron is following, in spite of the difficulty of taking  $\epsilon \kappa \lambda \sigma \chi \epsilon \psi \epsilon \tau a \iota$  of the male (in 468 infr. it is used of the female). In 143 infr. Lycophron indirectly mentions Leda as mother of Helen.

90. At Taenarum in Laconia, to which Paris sailed, there was supposed to be an entrance to the underworld. In another sense his voyage to Greece was the road of death for him, as Helen led to his

destruction.

στείβοντα ρακτων βουστάθμων, ξενώσεται,	
ώς πρόσθε κάλλους τον θυωρίτην τριπλαίς.	
άλλ' όστρίμων μεν άντί, Γαμφηλάς ὄνου	
καὶ Λᾶν περήσεις, ἀντὶ δ' εὐχίλου κάπης	95
καὶ μηλιαυθμῶν ἠδὲ χερσαίας πλάτης,	
τράμπις σ' όχήσει καὶ Φερέκλειοι πόδες	
δισσάς σαλάμβας κάπὶ Γυθείου πλάκας,	
έν αίσι πρός κύνουρα καμπύλους σχάσας	
πεύκης δδόντας, εκτορας πλημμυρίδος,	100
σκαρθμῶν ἰαύσεις εἰναφώσσωνα στόλον.	
καὶ τὴν ἄνυμφον πόρτιν άρπάσας λύκος,	
δυοίν πελειαίν ωρφανισμένην γονής,	
καὶ δευτέραν εἰς ἄρκυν ὀθνείων βρόχων	
ληῖτιν ἐμπταίσασαν ἰξευτοῦ πτερφ,	105
Θύσαισιν άρμοῖ μηλάτων ἀπάργματα	
φλέγουσαν ἐν κρόκαισι καὶ Βύνη θεᾳ,	
θρέξεις ύπερ Σκάνδειαν Αιγίλου τ' ἄκραν,	
αἴθων ἐπακτὴο καγχαλῶν ἀγοεύματι.	
νήσφ δ' ενὶ δράκοντος εκχέας πόθον,	110

92. Priam ordered the infant Paris to be exposed by a shepherd on Mount Ida. The shepherd returning five days later found that the boy had been suckled by a bear, and then brought him up to be a shepherd.

93. The famous judgment of Paris, then a shepherd on Mount Ida, between the rival claims of Hera, Athene, and Aphrodite to be considered the most beautiful. He decided in favour of Aphrodite.

94. Onugnathos ('Oνου γνάθος) was an island S. of Laconia. Las

was a town on the W. of the Laconian gulf.

**96.** The Schol. gives two explanations of  $\chi \epsilon \rho \sigma \alpha i \alpha \pi \lambda \dot{\alpha} \tau \eta$ : (I)  $\kappa \alpha \lambda \alpha \hat{\nu} \rho \rho \psi$ , a shepherd's staff or crook (cf. /l. 23. 845); (2)  $\pi \tau \dot{\nu} \rho \nu$ , a winnowing-fan.

97. Phereclus was the builder of the ships of Paris.

98. Gytheium was the bunder of the simps of Tans.

98. Gytheium was the port of Sparta on the Laconian gulf. The two "openings" are the two ends of the channel between Gytheium and the little island of Cranae, distant about 100 yards from it.  $\sigma \alpha \lambda \acute{\alpha} \mu \beta \eta$  meant a venthole, chimney, door, window, etc.  $\pi \lambda \acute{\alpha} \kappa \epsilon s$  is used here of smooth waters.

Not treading now thy father's rough foul byres, As once when judge of beauty for the Three. Leaving the cow-sheds thou shalt cross unto The Ass's Jaw and Las; forsaking now 95 The manger-grass, the pens, and shepherd's crook A ship shall bear thee with Phereclus' oars To the twin openings and Gytheium's calm; Wherein, when thou hast dropped upon the rocks The barque's curved fangs which check the floodtide's might, 100 Nine tossing sail-craft shalt thou bring to rest. Then wolf-like seizing thy unwedded bride, Bereft of daughters twain, those gentle doves, And in the meshes of a stranger's net

Ensnared again by trapper's feathered wiles, 105
Who but now on the beach a sacrifice
Of sheep to Ino and the Nymphs did burn,
Beyond Scandeia and high Aegilum
Thou'lt speed, wild hunter, glorying in thy spoil.
On Dragon's isle when thou hast slaked thy lust 110

102. Helen, wedded to Menelaus, is called "unwedded" in relation to Paris. In her youth she had been carried off by Theseus (cf. 505). Her daughters were Iphigeneia (by Theseus) and Hermione; see on 851.

105.  $\pi \tau \epsilon \rho \delta \nu$  is here used = Lat. formido, a line to which feathers were attached, serving as a means of frightening animals into the nets.

106. Helen was carried off by Paris while she was sacrificing to the Bacchant Nymphs ( $\Theta \hat{v} \sigma a \iota = \Theta v \sigma \tau \acute{a} \delta \epsilon s$ ,  $\Theta v \iota \acute{a} \delta \epsilon s$ ) and Ino-Leucothea on the shore. Ino, the sea-goddess, was sister of Semele, mother of Bacchus; hence the association of her worship with that of Bacchus. The name  $B \acute{v} v \eta$  (cf. 757) was connected by the ancients with  $\beta v \theta \acute{o} s$ , the depths of the sea.

108. Scandeia was the harbour of the island of Cythera off Laconia. Aegilum is apparently the island of Aegila between Cythera and Crete. Some explain it as an unknown headland on the east of Laconia.

110. The isle referred to is that off Attica called  $E\lambda \epsilon \nu \eta$ . It formed part of Acte (the old name of Attica), the realm of the autochthonous

'Ακτής διμόρφου γηγενούς σκηπτουχίας, την δευτέραν εωλον ούκ όψει Κύπριν. ψυχρον παραγκάλισμα κάξ ονειράτων κεναίς αφάσσων ωλέναισι δέμνια. ό γάρ σε συλλέκτροιο Φλεγραίας πόσις 115 στυγνὸς Τορώνης, ῷ γέλως ἀπέχθεται καὶ δάκου, νῆις δ' ἐστὶ καὶ τητώμενος άμφοίν, δ Θρήκης έκ ποτ' είς επακτίαν Τρίτωνος έκβολαΐσιν ηλοκισμένην χέρσον περάσας, οὐχὶ ναυβάτη στόλω, 120 άλλ' ἀστίβητον οίμον, οίά τις σιφνεύς, κευθμωνος έν σήραγγι τετρήνας μυχούς, νέρθεν θαλάσσης άτραπούς διήνυσε, τέκνων αλύξας τας ξενοκτόνους πάλας. καὶ πατοὶ πέμψας τὰς ἐπηκόους λιτάς. 125 στησαι παλίμπουν είς πάτραν, ὅθεν πλάνης Παλληνίαν ἐπῆλθε γηγενῶν τροφόν κείνός σε, Γουνεύς ωσπερ, έργάτης δίκης. τῆς θ' Ἡλίου θυγατρὸς Ἰχναίας βραβεύς, έπεσβολήσας λυγρά νοσφιεί γάμων, 130

Erechtheus (or, perhaps, Cecrops), who was half-man, half-snake. In Il. 3. 445 Paris says that he had union with Helen  $\nu \dot{\eta} \sigma \omega$   $\dot{\epsilon} \nu$   $\kappa \rho \alpha \nu \dot{\alpha} \eta$ . This  $\kappa \rho \alpha \nu \dot{\alpha} \eta$  is identified with the Attic ' $\epsilon \lambda \dot{\epsilon} \nu \eta$  by Strabo (9. 399); for other views see Leaf's note. Tzetzes seems wrong in saying that Lycophron is speaking of Salamis.

112. Casaubon, on Athen. 3. 95 c, explains  $\xi\omega\lambda$ os  $\eta\mu\dot{\epsilon}\rho\alpha$  as a name for the second day of the marriage festival (Lat. repotia), and so Holzinger and Ciaceri take  $\delta\epsilon\nu\tau\dot{\epsilon}\rho\alpha\nu$   $\xi\omega\lambda$ ov  $K\dot{\nu}\pi\rho\nu$  (=  $\gamma\dot{\alpha}\mu$ ov) here. Paris had union with the real Helen once, and once only, on the Attic isle; from there he seems to have sailed to Egypt, where he lost her.

115. It was Proteus who took away from Paris the real Helen and substituted a wraith or phantom. Proteus was wedded to Torone when he came from Egypt to the Thracian Pallene (earlier called Phlegra). She bore him two sons, who compelled all strangers to wrestle with them and slew them. They themselves were slain by Heracles. Incensed at the conduct of his sons, Proteus obtained from

In Acte, realm of earth-born twy-formed king, Thou shalt not see the wedding's second day; Embracing a chill form, a dream-wrought wraith, When empty-armed thou feelest o'er the couch; For the grim spouse of the Phlegraean wife 115 Torone, he who shuns both tears and smiles. And knoweth nought of either, free therefrom, Who once from Thrace crossed over to the shore Which Triton's outlets plough with furrowing stream, Not journeying by ships which sail the deep, 120 But by a trackless route, like to a mole, In hollow grotto burrowing the depths Beneath the ocean-bed did make his way, Escaping sons whose wrestling slew their guests, And sending prayers which reached his father's 125 ears

To place his feet on his homeland whence he
Once to Pallene, nurse of giants, roamed,—
He, like to Guneus, minister of right
And judge of Themis, daughter of the Sun,
With stern rebuke shall rob thee of thy mate

his father Poseidon the boon of returning to his home in Egypt through a cave made for the purpose under the sea. When he heard of the death of his sons he neither rejoiced (for they were his own offspring), nor grieved (for they deserved to die).

118. 5 (= 35) Scheer: 5 MSS.

119. Triton was an old name of the Nile.

127. Pallene was one of the districts where the Phlegraean plains, the scene of the famous conflict between the gods and giants, were localized by the ancients.

128. Guneus, according to the Schol., was an Arabian renowned for his justice whom Semiramis used as an arbitrator in a dispute between

the Babylonians and Phoenicians.

129. Themis was called Ichnaea either from Ichnae a city in Thessaly (or Macedonia), or from her tracking (ἰχνεύειν) the guilty.

λίπτοντα κάσσης ἐκβαλων πελειάδος. δς τούς Λύκου τε καὶ Χιμαιρέως τάφους χρησμοΐσι κυδαίνοντας ούκ αιδούμενος, οὐδ' 'Ανθέως ἔρωτας, οὐδὲ τὸν ξένοις σύνδορπον Αλγαίωνος άγνίτην πάγον, 135 έτλης θεων άλοιτος έκβηναι δίκην, λάξας τράπεζαν κανακυπώσας Θέμιν, άρκτου τιθήνης εκμεμαγμένος τρόπους. τοιγάρ ψαλάξεις είς κενὸν νευράς κτύπον, άσιτα καδώρητα φορμίζων μέλη, 140 κλαίων δὲ πάτραν τὴν πρὶν ήθαλωμένην ίξη χεροίν είδωλον ήγκαλισμένος τῆς πενταλέκτρου θυιάδος Πλευρωνίας. γυιαί γαρ εὐναστῆρας ἄμναμοι τριπλαῖς πήναις κατεκλώσαντο δηναιᾶς Αλός, 145 νυμφεία πευτάγαμβρα δαίσασθαι γάμων. δοιώ μεν άρπακτήρας αὐγάσαι λύκους πτηνούς τριόρχας αλετούς όφθαλμίας, τον δ' έκ Πλυνού τε κάπο Καρικών ποτών

132. Lycus and Chimaereus, sons of Prometheus, were buried at Troy. When Sparta was suffering from famine, Apollo ordained that a Spartan must be sent to Troy to make offerings at their tombs. Menelaus was sent, and he became the guest of Priam and Paris.

134. Antheus, son of the Trojan Antenor, was beloved by Paris, and was accidentally killed by him while playing. Menelaus saved Paris from Antenor's wrath by bringing him back as his guest to

Sparta.

135. Aegaeon was a name of Poseidon connected either with the Aegaean sea, or with Aegae a town in Euboea (or Achaea), sacred to him. The reference is to the salt at the hospitable board of Menelaus. The epithet ἀγνίτης is explained by the Schol. as "purifying," "cleansing," comparing Eur. I. T. 1193, θάλαττα κλύζει πάντα τὰνθρώτων κακά. Others take it as "holy," "inviolable."

138. Paris was suckled by a bear; see 92 n.

139. Cf. Il. 3. 54; Hor. C. 1. 15. 14 (of Paris), grataque feminis Imbelli cithara carmina divides.

141. Troy was first sacked by Heracles; see 34 n.

And drive thee lusting from thy wanton dove,-Thee, who the mission sent by oracles To honour Lycus' and Chimaereus' tombs Didst not respect, nor Antheus' love, nor yet Poseidon's holy salt with strangers shared, 135 But daredst sinning to transgress heaven's laws, Spurning the table and subverting Right, Showing the temper of thy nurse the bear. So thou shalt twang upon thy lyre in vain, Playing thy hungry unrewarded strains, 140 And to thy country, once in ashes laid, Weeping thou shalt return, within thy arms A phantom, Pleuron's maenad five times wed. For the lame daughters of the agèd Sea With their three spindles span this thread of fate 145 That with five lords she should share bridal feasts. Two shall she see resembling ravening wolves Or pinioned eagles, lustful, keen of sight; The third, from Plynus and from Carian streams

142. For είδωλον see 115 n.

143. Helen's mother Leda was granddaughter or great-granddaughter of Pleuron. As a Bacchant, Helen sacrificed to the Bacchant Nymphs; see 106 n. The five lovers of Helen were Theseus, Menelaus, Paris, Deiphobus, Achilles.

144. The three Fates (Clotho, Lachesis, Atropos) are here daughters of Tethys; in Hes. Theog. 905, 217, daughters of Zeus and Themis or of Nyx. Their lameness may mark the inequalities and the slow march of destiny. For the spinning of destiny cf. Od. 7, 197, etc.

147. δοιώ: Theseus and Paris.

149. Menelaus was descended from Atlas (Atlas, Sterope, Oenomaus, Hippodameia, Pelops, Atreus, Menelaus). Plynus, a Libyan port, was the birthplace of Atlas. Menelaus was also descended from Minos (Minos, Catreus, Aerope, Menelaus), and "Carian streams" probably refers to the dominion of Minos, king of Crete, over Caria, though Holzinger explains it of a river flowing by the Καρικον τείχος in W. Libya.

βλαστόντα ρίζης ήμικοῆτα βαρβάοου,	150
Έπειόν, οὐκ ᾿Αργεῖον ἀκραιφνῆ γοναῖς.	
οὖ πάππον ἐν γαμφαῖσιν Ἐνναία ποτὲ	
"Ερκυνν' 'Ερινύς Θουρία Ξιφηφόρος	
άσαρκα μιστύλασ' ἐτύμβευσεν φάρφ,	
τον ωλενίτην χόνδουν ενδατουμένη.	155
ου δή δὶς ήβήσαντα, καὶ βαρὺυ πόθου	
φυγόντα Ναυμέδοντος άρπακτήριον,	
ἔστειλ' 'Ερεχθεὺς εἰς Λετριναίους γύας	
λευραν αλετρεύσοντα Μόλπιδος πέτραν,	
τοῦ Ζηνὶ δαιτρευθέντος 'Ομβρίω δέμας,	160
γαμβροκτόνον ραίσοντα πενθεροφθόροις	
βουλαῖς ἀνάγνοις, ἃς ὁ Καδμίλου γόνος	
ήρτυσε. τον δε λοΐσθον εκπιών σκύφον	
φερωνύμους ἔδυψε Νηρέως τάφους,	
πανώλεθρον κηλίδα θωύξας γένει,	165
ό την πόδαργον Ψύλλαν ηνιοστροφών,	
καὶ τὴν ὁπλαῖς "Αρπινναν 'Αρπυίαις ἴσην.	
τὸν δ' αὖ τέταρτον αὐθόμαιμον ὄψεται	

150. βαρβάρου is Wilamowitz' correction of βάρβαρου.

151. Hippodameia, the grandmother of Menelaus, came from Elis,

the land of the Epeians.

152. At Enna in Sicily Demeter lost her daughter Persephone. Distracted by grief she ate the shoulder of Pelops (see 55 n.). She was called Hercynna from her temple in Boeotia dedicated to her by Hercynna, a playmate of Persephone. The Argives worshipped her as Erinys. The title Θουρία was due to her mad grief for the loss of Persephone; Ciaceri connects the title with her worship at Thurii in Magna Graecia. She was represented by the Boeotians with a sword in her hand.

156. Zeus, by the agency of Hermes, restored Pelops to his youthful

157. Ναυμέδων = Poseidon, the god of sailors; cf. ποντομέδων,

Aesch. 7h. 122. For his love for Pelops see Pind. Ol. 1. 41 sqq.

158. Zeus is called Erechtheus again in 431 infr. Poseidon also bore the name, and some so explain it here. For Letrina see 54 n.

159. Molpis was a hero of Elis honoured with a statue and temple

Who sprang, half-Cretan of barbarian stock,	150
Epeian, not pure Argive by descent,	
Whose grandsire's flesh Ennaea—also called	
Hercynna, Fury, Frenzied, Sword-in-hand—	
Tore with her jaws and buried in her throat,	
As she devoured his shoulder's cartilage.	155
Twice bloomed he as a youth, and when he fled	
The passionate advance of Naumedon,	
Erechtheus sent him to Letrina's plains	
To wear to smoothness with his wheels the stone	
Of Molpis, offering to the God of Rain,	160
And slay his love's sire (who had done to death	
His daughter's wooers) through foul plot devised	
By Hermes' son, who forthwith drank his last	
And sank into the sea-grave called from him.	
On Pelops' race a fatal blight invoked	165
He who had driven Psylla, speedy mare,	
And fleet Harpinna like the Harpies swift.	
The fourth she shall behold own brother is	

for sacrificing himself to deliver Elis from drought. The Schol. says that by  $Mo\lambda\pi i\delta os$   $\pi \epsilon \tau \rho a\nu$  is meant Elis, i.e. the land through which Pelops and Oenomaus raced, grinding smooth with the horses and

wheels of their swift chariots the stony surface.

161. Oenomaus promised his daughter Hippodameia to the suitor who should defeat him in a chariot-race. The unsuccessful suitors were slain by him. Pelops, aided by the treachery of Myrtilus, the charioteer of Oenomaus, who tampered with his master's wheels, won Hippodameia. Oenomaus was killed when his chariot was upset. Myrtilus, who was himself in love with Hippodameia, was hurled by Pelops into the sea, called afterwards the Myrtoan sea.

162. Cadmilus (cf. Cadmus, 219 infr.) was a title of Hermes in the

mysteries of Samothrace. He was father of Myrtilus.

163. Myrtilus drank his last gulp of sea-water before he sank.

165. The house of Pelops was haunted by the curse of the dying Myrtilus. Psylla and Harpinna were the steeds of Oenomaus.

168. The fourth husband of Helen is Deiphobus. His brother, the

κίρκου καταρρακτῆρος, ὅν τε συγγόνων	
τὰ δευτερεῖα τῆς δαϊσφάλτου πάλης	170
λαβόντα κηρύξουσιν. ἐν δὲ δεμνίοις	
τον έξ ονείρων πέμπτον έστροβημένον	
είδωλοπλάστω προσκαταξανεῖ ρέθει,	
τὸν μελλόνυμφον εὐνέτην Κυταϊκῆς	
τῆς ξεινοβάκχης, ὅν ποτ' Οἰνώνης φυγάς,	175
μύρμων τὸν έξάπεζον ἀνδρώσας στρατόν,	
Πελασγικὸν Τυφῶνα γεννᾶται πατήρ,	
ἀφ' έπτὰ παίδων φεψάλω σποδουμένων,	
μοῦνον φλέγουσαν ἐξαλύξαντα σποδόν.	
χώ μὲν παλιμπόρευτον ἵξεται τρίβον,	180
σφηκας δαφοινούς χηραμών ανειρύσας,	
όποῖα κοῦρος δῶμα κινήσας καπνῷ·	
οί δ' αὖ προγεννήτειραν οὐλαμωνύμου	
βύκταισι χερνίψαντες ωμησταί πόριν,	
τοῦ Σκυρίου δράκοντος ἔντοκον λεχώ,	185
ην ο ξύνευνος Σαλμυδησίας άλος	

170. After the death of Paris, Priam promised Helen to whichever of his sons proved himself most valiant, and she was given to Deiphobus, who ranked second to Hector, Hector being already dead.

172. Lycophron describes Achilles as having converse with Helen only in dreams. Another legend spoke of them as living together in

the island of Leuce (188n., cf. Paus. 3. 19, 11).

174. Medea, who madly loved Jason, was wedded to Achilles in the Elysian Fields. Cytaea was a city of Colchis where Medea's father,

Aeetes, was king.

176. Peleus, father of Achilles, had to flee from Aegina (earlier called Oenone) for slaying his brother Phocus. When he escaped to Thessaly, he changed, with the help of Zeus, ants (μύρμοι, μύρμηκες) into the folk called Myrmidons. The usual legend was that Aeacus, father of Peleus, peopled Aegina by turning ants into men.

177. Achilles is called "Typhon" on account of his stature and strength, and "Pelasgian" from having been born in Pelasgiotis in

Thessaly.

178. Thetis held in the flames the sons born to her from Peleus in order to burn away their mortal parts. Six sons perished in this way. Peleus snatched away Achilles and gave him to Cheiron to rear.

Of swooping hawk; him of his brethren all	
They shall proclaim as taking second prize	170
In the man-slaying conflict. Last, the fifth	
Tossing in dreams upon his restless couch	
Her phantom beauty shall make waste away,	
The destined husband of the Colchian	
Who madly loved the stranger; him begot	175
Oenone's exile, who changed into men	
Six-footed swarming ants, to be a true	
Pelasgian giant; he, of seven babes	
Flame-proved, alone escaped the glowing ash.	
Now Paris shall return on homeward course	180
Drawing bloodthirsty wasps out of their clefts,	
Like to a boy who stirs a nest with smoke;	
The savage Greeks to stay the winds shall slay	
The girl who bare a son from battle named,	
Bringing the snake of Scyros to his birth,	185
The murderess of Hellenes, whom her spouse	

181. The "wasps" are the avenging Greeks; cf. Il. 16. 259 sqq.

Supply leontar in v. 183 with of  $\delta$  ar  $(=\sigma\phi\hat{\eta}\kappa\epsilon s = A\chi\alpha\iota\sigma i)$ .

183. The Greeks assembled their fleet at Aulis, and, being detained there by the winds which were contrary, determined to sacrifice Iphigeneia to appease Artemis. The οὐλαμώνυμος is Neoptolemus. According to the usual legend he was the son of Achilles and Deidameia, daughter of Lycomedes, king of Scyros, an island in the Aegaean; the tradition which Lycophron follows made him a son of Achilles and Iphigeneia, reared by Deidameia in Scyros. Iphigeneia was brought to Aulis under the pretext that she was to be married to Achilles, and Lycophron's version involves an actual union between them.

186. According to the *Cypria*, a cyclic poem, Artemis rescued Iphigeneia at Aulis by substituting a hind, and carried her off to the Tauric Chersonese, the modern Crimea. There Iphigeneia sacrificed to Artemis all strangers, especially Greeks (cf. Eur. *Iphig. Taur.*). Lycophron says here that Achilles went to Scythia to seek Iphigeneia, but could not find her. The Salmydesian sea was the W. part of the Euxine, here the Euxine generally.

έντος ματεύων Ελλάδος καρατόμον δαρον φαληριώσαν οἰκήσει σπίλον, Κέλτρου πρός ἐκβολαῖσι λιμναίων ποτῶν, ποθών δάμαρτα, τήν ποτ' έν σφαγαίς κεμάς 190 λαιμον προθείσα φασγάνων εκ ρύσεται. βαθύς δ' έσω ρηγμίνος αὐδηθήσεται έρημος εν κρύκαισι νυμφίου δρόμος, στένοντος άτας καὶ κενήν ναυκληρίαν καὶ τὴν ἄφαντον εἶδος ἡλλοιωμένην 195 γραΐαν σφαγείων ήδε χερνίβων πέλας "Αιδου τε παφλάζοντος έκ βυθών φλογί κρατήρος, δυ μέλαινα ποιφύξει φθιτών σάρκας λεβητίζουσα δαιταλουργία.

Χώ μεν πατήσει χώρον αλάζων Σκύθην, 200 είς πέντε που πλειώνας ίμείρων λέχους. οί δ' άμφὶ βωμον τοῦ προμάντιος Κρόνου σύν μητρί τέκνων νηπίων κρεανόμου, δρκων τὸ δευτερούχον ἄρσαντες ζυγόν,

188. By the epithet φαληριώσα Lyc. denotes Λευκή, an island

opposite the mouth of the Danube, the modern Fidonisi.

189. If genuine, Κέλτρου is syncopated for Κελτικοῦ Ίστρου, the Ister (Danube) descending from the land of the Celts. Holzinger reads Κελτοῦ = the Celtic river; Scheer Ιστρου.

193. 'Αχιλλέως δρόμος was a name given to the island of Leuce (188 n.), e.g. in Eur. I.T. 436, and also to the long thin peninsula to the E. of the mouth of the Borysthenes (mod. Dnieper), now called

the peninsula of Tendra.

196. Keeping the reading  $\gamma \rho \alpha \hat{i} \alpha \nu$ , the most probable meaning of those given by the Schol. is that Iphigeneia when carried off to Tauris was transformed into an old woman. Wilamowitz' correction  $\Gamma \rho \alpha \hat{\imath} \alpha \nu$  is accepted by Holzinger and Ciaceri.  $\Gamma \rho \alpha \hat{\imath} \alpha$  is fem. of  $\Gamma \nu \alpha \hat{\imath} \alpha$ , inhabitant of the city of  $\Gamma \rho \alpha \hat{\imath} \alpha$  (II. 2. 498), an ancient city of Boeotia identified either with Tanagra or Oropus, and the adj. is here used for Boeotian in the special sense of Aulidensis. The transformation then, as Ciaceri says, is to be understood in a moral and not a material sense.

198. It is doubtful whether  $\kappa \rho \alpha \tau \hat{\eta} \rho \sigma s$  is here used =  $\lambda \epsilon \beta \eta \tau \sigma s$  of an actual cauldron, placed over the flames issuing from the earth, in which Within the Salmydesian sea shall seek;
Long time then shall he dwell on foam-white rock
By marshy outlets of the Celter's stream.
There sighs he for the wife, whom once the doe 190
Yielding its throat shall rescue from the knife.
And by the breakers the wide lonely course
Upon the beach shall bear the bridegroom's name,
Who mourns his fate and idle voyaging
And his aged bride who vanished and now dwells, 195
Transformed, 'mid bowls of blood and lustral fonts
And cauldron seething with the flame sent up
From Hades' depths, which the grim priestess blows
Who cooks the flesh of dead men in her pot.

And he in grief shall tread the Scythian land 200 For full five years in yearning for his love.

They round the altar of that minister

Of Cronos who devoured the bird and brood

Shall yoke themselves afresh with binding oaths,

Iphigeneia boiled the flesh of the slain victims, or whether "Aiδου κρατηρος means a fiery fissure in the earth into which she cast their bodies. Mueller and Scheer read  $h\nu$  for  $b\nu$ .

200. Achilles shall search in vain for Iphigeneia.

202. While the Greeks were sacrificing at Aulis, a serpent came out from under the altar, glided up a plane-tree near by, and devoured a sparrow with her eight nestlings. Calchas explained the portent to mean that the Greeks should besiege Troy for nine years (Il. 2. 305 sqq.). The difficulty is that Homer says that the serpent was sent by Zeus, not Cronos. It is impossible to take  $K_{\rho\delta\nu\sigma\nu} = K_{\rho\sigma\nu}\delta\sigma\nu = \Delta\iota\delta s$ , as the Schol. suggests. Holzinger regards  $K_{\rho\delta\nu\sigma\nu}$  and  $K_{\rho\delta\nu\sigma\nu}$  as identical, and explains it of the duration of the war, but also suggests that in some other legend the serpent (which is a common revealer of the divine will in old myths) may have been represented as showing forth the purpose of Cronos. Ciaceri thinks that Cronos is mentioned merely as a cruel monster devouring his own young as the serpent devoured the young of the sparrow.

204. The first oath had been sworn by the Greeks to Tyndareus, father of Helen, that they would bring aid to the husband of Helen if

she were carried off.

στερράν ένοπλίσουσιν ωλέναις πλάτην,	205
σωτῆρα Βάκχον τῶν πάροιθε πημάτων	
Σφάλτην ἀνευάζοντες, ῷ ποτ' ἐν μυχοῖς	
Δελφινίου, παρ' ἄντρα Κερδώου θεοῦ,	
Ταύρω κρυφαίας χέρνιβας κατάρξεται	
ό χιλίαρχος τοῦ πολιρραίστου στρατοῦ.	210
ῷ θυμάτων πρόσπαιον ἐκτίνων χάριν	
δαίμων 'Ενόρχης Φιγαλεύς Φαυστήριος,	
λέοντα θοίνης, ἄχνος ἐμπλέξας λύγοις,	
σχήσει, τὸ μὴ πρόρριζον αἰστῶσαι στάχυν	
κείροντ' όδόντι καὶ λαφυστίαις γνάθοις.	215
Λεύσσω πάλαι δη σπείραν όλκαίων κακών	
σύρουσαν ἄλμη κἀπιροιζοῦσαν πάτρα	
δεινάς ἀπειλάς καὶ πυριφλέκτους βλάβας.	
΄ Ως μή σε Κάδμος ὤφελ΄ ἐν περιρρύτῳ	
"Ισση φυτεῦσαι δυσμενῶν ποδηγέτην,	220
τέταρτον έξ "Ατλαντος ἀθλίου σπόρον,	
τῶν αὐθομαίμων συγκατασκάπτην Πρύλιν,	
τόμουρε πρὸς τὰ λῷστα νημερτέστατε.	
μη δ' Αισακείων ούμος ώφελεν πατηρ	

**206.** This refers to the earlier unsuccessful expedition of the Greeks told of in the *Cypria*. By mistake they landed in Mysia, where the king, Telephus, inflicted loss on them and tried to slay Achilles, but Bacchus caused him to trip over a vine stem (hence the title  $\sum \phi \acute{a} \lambda \tau \eta s$ ), and Achilles wounded him and enabled the Greeks to escape home.

**208.** The cave is the oracular cave at Delphi. Apollo was called  $K \in \rho \delta \hat{\omega} os$ , as his oracles brought profit both to his shrine and to those

who consulted him.

209. Bacchus was conceived as having the form of a bull in the orginatic cults; cf. Eur. Bacch. 920.

210.  $\chi \iota \lambda \iota \alpha \rho \chi o s = Agamemnon.$ 

212. Ένόρχης was a title of Bacchus at Samos and Lesbos, prob. connected with  $\delta\rho\chi\sigma$ s (garden or vineyard); others derive it from  $\delta\rho\chi\tau$ s (cf.  $\tau\rho\iota\delta\rho\chi\eta$ s, 148), or  $\delta\rho\chi\eta\sigma\tau$ s, dancing. Bacchus was worshipped at Phigalia in Arcadia. His mysteries were celebrated at night by torch-light.

213. Telephus, by a confusion of metaphors, is represented both as

a lion and as a boar laying waste a field of corn.

And take hard oars as weapons for their hands, 205 Hymning as saviour from their former woes Bacchus, the Thrower; unto him—the Steer— At shrine of Delphi's lord and at the cave Of the Gain-god the king of thousand ships, Town-sacking host, shall secret offerings pour. 210 These gifts in fashion unforeseen requites The Tiller, the Phigalean, the Torch-god; He checks the lion's feast, and binds its feet With tendrils that it cannot utterly Mow down the corn with teeth and greedy jaws. 215 For long I see a snake-like coil of ills Trailing across the sea and hissing forth Dread menace to my land and fiery bane. O would that Hermes ne'er begat a son In sea-girt Issa to conduct our foes, 220 Prylis, the fourth in ill-starred Atlas' line, Helping to ruin his own flesh and blood— Thou seer, unswerving guide to what is best! And would my sire had sundered not the rede

216. With prophetic vision Cassandra sees the Greek fleet sailing

over the sea against Troy.

219. Issa was the old name of Lesbos. The nymph Issa bore to Hermes (here called Cadmus = Cadmilus, 162 supr.) a son Prylis. When the Greeks reached Lesbos, the seer Prylis foretold the taking of Troy by the wooden horse, and thus suggested that device to the Greeks.

221. The line of descent was—Atlas, Maia, Hermes, Prylis.

222. Prylis was related to the Trojans, for Dardanus was son of Electra, daughter of Atlas.

223. Prylis foretold what was best for the Greeks, not the Trojans.

224. Aesacus was a son of Priam and Arisbe. When Hecuba had her dream about bearing a firebrand (86 n.), he foretold that her offspring (Paris) should be the ruin of Troy, and advised that both mother and child should be slain. On the day on which Paris was born Cilla, wife of Thymoetes brother of Priam, bore a son Munippus as the fruit of an intrigue with Priam, and Priam, pretending to misunderstand Aesacus, put Cilla and Munippus to death.

χρησμών απώσαι νυκτίφοιτα δείματα, 225 μια δε κρύψαι τους διπλούς ύπεο πάτοας μοίρα, τεφρώσας γυῖα Δημναίω πυρί, ούκ αν τοσωνδε κυμ' επέκλυσεν κακων. Καὶ δή Παλαίμων δέρκεται βρεφοκτόνος ζέουσαν αιθυίαισι πλεκτανοστόλοις 230 γραΐαν ξύνευνον 'Ωγένου Τιτηνίδα. Καὶ δη διπλα σύν πατρὶ ραίεται τέκνα, στεροώ τυπέντι κλείδας εὐάρχω μύλω, τὰ πρόσθεν αὐλητῆρος ἐκπεφευγότα ψυδραίσι φήμαις λαμνακοφθόρους ριφάς, 235 ῷ δὴ πιθήσας στυγνὸς ἄρταμος τέκνων, αίθυιόθρεπτος πορκέων λιναγρέτης, κρηθμοΐσι καὶ ραιβοΐσι νηρίταις φίλος, χηλώ κατεδρύφαξε διπτύχους γονάς. σὺν τοῖς δ' ὁ τλήμων, μητρὸς οὐ φράσας θεᾶς 240 μνήμων έφετμάς, αλλά ληθάργω σφαλείς, πρηνής θανείται στέρνον οὐτασθεὶς ξίφει. Καὶ δὴ στένει Μύρινα καὶ παράκτιοι ίππων φριμαγμον ή όνες δεδεγμέναι,

226. τους διπλους: Hecuba and Paris.

227. Lemnian fire was proverbially the fiercest, and Lemnos, the

volcanic island, was sacred to Hephaestus.

229. Palaemon (Melicertes), son of Ino (Leucothea), was a sea-god to whom infants were sacrificed at Tenedos. He sees the Greek fleet approaching Tenedos.

231.  $\Omega_{\gamma \in \nu os} = \Omega_{\kappa \in \alpha \nu os}$ . The  $T_{i\tau \alpha \nu i \delta \in s}$ , of whom Tethys was one,

were the daughters of Οὐρανός and Γη̂.

232. Cycnus, a Trojan, had two children, Tennes and Hemithea, by his first wife. His second wife tried to seduce Tennes, and, when she failed, she got Molpus, a flute-player, to accuse Tennes to Cycnus of having offered violence to her. Cycnus put Tennes and Hemithea into a chest and cast them into the sea. They were washed ashore on the island of Leucophrys, which took the name of Tenedos from Tennes. Cycnus, when he learned the truth, slew his second wife, and went to join his children at Tenedos. When the Greeks arrived there, Achilles

225 Of Aesacus from boding night-sent dreams, But had slain both by the same fate, to save Our land, and burnt their limbs in Lemnos' flames! Such waves of trouble had not surged o'er us.

Now sees Palaemon, who loves blood of babes, How Tethys, aged wife of Oceanus, 230 Boils eddying with seagulls cordage-rigged.

And now two children with their father fall. His shoulder stricken by a rugged stone. Auspicious blow; they had escaped before When cast forth in an ark through lying tales 235 Of piper trusted by child-slaving sire. He, whom the gulls fed and the fishers caught, The friend of seaweeds and of spiral shells, Within the chest once penned his offspring twain. With them the wretch, who through forgetfulness 240 The goddess mother's bidding failed to tell, Pierced to the heart shall fall upon his face.

And now Myrina groans and our sea-banks When they the snorting of the war-horse hear,

slew Cycnus and Tennes, while Hemithea was swallowed up by the earth as she fled from the invaders.

233. τυπέντι, Scaliger; τυπέντα, MSS. The success in Tenedos was auspicious as marking the beginning of the Greek victory over the Trojans.

237. The infant Cycnus, child of Poseidon and Calyce, was exposed by his mother on the shore, where he was fed by a sea-bird and found by fishermen, who were attracted by the swans around him; hence his name Κύκνος.

240. Mnemon had been sent by Thetis, mother of Achilles, to accompany Achilles and warn him against slaying any son of Apollo, as such an act was fated to bring about his death. Tennes, nominally son of Cycnus, was in reality a son of Apollo, and when Achilles found that Mnemon had not warned him, he slew him also.

243. There was a mound at Troy marking the tomb of the Amazon

Myrina; cf. Il. 2. 811 sqq.

<b>ὅταν Πελασγὸν ἄλμα λαιψηροῦ ποδὸς</b>	245
εὶς θῖν' ἐρείσας λοισθίαν αἴθων λύκος,	
κοηναΐον έξ ἄμμοιο ῥοιβδήση γάνος,	
πηγὰς ἀνοίξας τὰς πάλαι κεκρυμμένας.	
Καὶ δή καταίθει γαΐαν ὀρχηστὴς "Αρης,	
στρόμβω τὸν αίματηρὸν ἐξάρχων νόμον.	250
απασα δὲ χθων προθμμάτων δηουμένη	
κείται, πέφρικαν δ', ώστε ληίου, γύαι	
λόγχαις ἀποστίλβοντες. οἰμωγὴ δέ μοι	
έν ωσι πύργων έξ ἄκρων ινδάλλεται,	
πρός αιθέρος κύρουσα νηνέμους έδρας,	255
γόψ γυναικών καὶ καταρραγαῖς πέπλων,	
άλλην ἐπ' άλλη συμφοράν δεδεγμένων.	
'Εκεῖνό σ', ὧ τάλαινα καρδία, κακόν,	
έκεῖνο δάψει πημάτων ύπέρτατον,	
εῦτ' ἂν λαβράζων περκνὸς αἰχμητῆς χάρων,	260
πτεροΐσι χέρσον αλετός διαγράφων	
ραιβοῖ τυπωτὴν τόρμαν ἀγκύλη βάσει,	
κλάζων τ' ἄμικτον στόματι ἡιγίστην βοήν,	
τον φίλτατόν σου των άγαστόρων τρόφιν	
Πτώου τε πατρός, άρπάσας μετάρσιον,	265
ουνξι γαμφηλαίσι θ' αίμάσσων δέμας,	
έγχωρα τίφη καὶ πέδον χραίνη φόνω,	

**245.** Achilles made a mighty leap from his ship to the shore, and a spring gushed forth where he lighted. Scheer reads  $\lambda_0 i\sigma\theta_{10}\nu$ , i.e. Achilles was last to leap forth (cf. 279). For Pelasgian = Thessalian see 177 n.

249. For the dancing of Ares cf. Eur. Phoen. 791.

252.  $\pi \epsilon \phi \rho \iota \kappa \alpha \nu$ ; see on 21 supr.

258. Cassandra bemoans the death of Hector. The pursuit of Hector by Achilles round the walls of Troy is described in 260-262; the combat between the two heroes in 263-266; the dragging of Hector's body tied to Achilles' chariot in 267-268 (Holzinger). In 11. 22.

What time the fiery welf with nimble foot

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What time the nery woll with unlible loot	440
To furthest dune leaps his Pelasgian leap;	
And from the sand sends gushing forth a fount,	
Releasing streams that long had lain concealed.	
And now in war-dance Ares fires our land,	
Playing a bloody prelude on his shell;	250
Before my eyes the whole soil wasted lies,	
And, like a corn-field, every acre gleams	
And bristles with the spear. The cries of woe	
From turret-summits echo in my ears,	
And to the windless tracts of ether reach;	255
While women wail and rend their robes in grief	
As one blow on another is their lot.	
That one disaster, O my tortured heart,	
Shall gnaw thee, that one woe surpassing woe,	
When tempest-swift the warring eagle black	260
With flashing eye, whose pinions score the earth,	
In winding tracks speeds circling round and round	nd,
And with harsh cries which turn men cold with f	ear
Snatching thy dearest brother, the loved son	
Of Ptoan Phoebus, bearing him aloft,	265

138 sqq., Achilles pursuing Hector is compared to a falcon pursuing a dove.

With bloody beak and talons mangling him, Defiles his native plain and pools with gore,

**<sup>262.</sup>**  $\delta \alpha \iota B \circ \hat{i}$ , Scheer;  $\delta \alpha \iota \beta \hat{\varphi}$ , MSS. Holzinger, keeping  $\delta \alpha \iota \beta \hat{\varphi}$ , changes  $\delta \gamma \kappa \dot{\nu} \lambda \eta$  to  $\delta \gamma \kappa \dot{\nu} \lambda \lambda \eta$  (from  $\delta \gamma \kappa \dot{\nu} \lambda \lambda \omega$ ); some verb is essential to the sentence.

<sup>263.</sup> The phrase ἄμικτος ("discordant") βοή is from Aesch. Ag. 321.

**<sup>264</sup>**. σου refers to καρδία (258).

**<sup>265.</sup>** According to Stesichorus, Ibycus, etc., Hector was a son of Apollo. On the hill Ptoon in Boeotia was a famous temple of Apollo. The Schol. says that Leto, when she was bringing forth Apollo, was frightened  $(\tilde{\epsilon}\pi\tau\sigma\eta\theta\eta)$  by a boar.

λευρᾶς βοώτης γατομῶν δι' αὔλακος.	
λαβών δε ταύρου τοῦ πεφασμένου δάνος,	
σκεθοῷ ταλάντῳ τρυτάνης ἠρτημένον,	270
αὖθις τὸν ἀντίποινον ἐγχέας ἴσον	
Πακτώλιον σταθμοΐσι τηλαυγῆ μύδρον,	
κρατῆρα Βάκχου δύσεται, κεκλαυσμένος	
νύμφαισιν, αὶ φίλαντο Βηφύρου γάνος,	
Λειβηθρίην θ' υπερθε Πιμπλείας σκοπήν,	275
ό νεκροπέρνας, ός προδειμαίνων πότμον,	
καὶ θῆλυν ἀμφὶ σῶμα τλήσεται πέπλον	
δυναι, παρ' ίστοῖς κερκίδος ψαύσας κρότων,	
καὶ λοῖσθος εἰς γῆν δυσμενῶν ῥῖψαι πόδα,	
τὸ σόν, ξύναιμε, κάν ὕπνῳ πτήσσων δόρυ.	280
΄ Ω δαΐμον, οίον κίον' αἰστώσεις δόμων,	
έρεισμα πάτρας δυστυχούς ύποσπάσας	
οὺ μὴν ἀνατεί γ', οὐδ' ἄνευ μόχθων πικρῶν	
πένθους θ' ὁ ληστης Δωριεύς γελά στρατός,	
επεγκαχάζων τοῦ δεδουπότος μόρω,	285
άλλ' άμφὶ πρύμναις την πανυστάτην δραμών	
πεύκαις βίου βαλβίδα συμφλεχθήσεται,	
καλων επ' ευχαίς πλείστα Φύξιον Δία,	

269. The ransoming of Hector's body from Achilles by Priam is

described in Il. 22. 340, 349 sqq.; 24. 232, etc.

271. Achilles, enamoured of Polyxena, promised her father Priam that he would ally himself with him if he got Polyxena in marriage. Priam consented, and a meeting was arranged in the temple of Apollo Thymbraeus, where Paris treacherously slew Achilles with his bow. The Trojans refused to give up his body till they got back the ransom paid for Hector.

272. The Pactolus was a Lydian river rich in gold-dust.

273. A golden urn was given to Thetis, mother of Achilles, by Bacchus. In it were placed the ashes of Achilles and Patroclus; cf. Od. 24. 71-79.

274. The mourning of the Muses for Achilles is mentioned in Od. 24. 60. The Bephyrus was a river in the Pierian district of

While he as teamster cuts his furrows smooth. The price which he accepts for the slain bull, 270 Weighed in the balance with the nicest care, That same shall he pour on the scale one day As his own ransom, bright Pactolian gold, And enter Bacchus' urn. For him shall wail The Nymphs who love the streams of Bephyrus And high Leibethrum o'er Pimpleia's fount,— . 275 The body-seller, who, forefearing death, Shall stoop to put about him woman's robes, And ply the rattling shuttles at the loom; Last he to leap forth on the foeman's soil, Dreading thy spear, my brother, e'en in dreams. 280 Fate, what a pillar of my house thou'lt wreck, Withdrawing my afflicted country's prop! Yet not unpunished, nor without hard toils And sorrow, laugh the plundering Doric host, Exulting at the fallen hero's doom; 285 But at their poops, while running their last race For very life, shall be enwrapped in flame; Oft supplicating Zeus, the god of flight,

Macedonia. Leibethrum was a village on the eastern slope of Mount

Olympus. Achilles was a Thessalian (177 n.).

276. Peleus, father of Achilles, knowing that it was destined for his son to die at Troy, tried to save him by bringing him when nine years old to Lycomedes, in Scyros, who dressed him as a girl and brought him up among his own daughters. Odysseus discovered him by a stratagem, and Achilles promised his help to the Greeks.

279. See on 245.

281. Cf. 11. 6. 403, Pind. Ol. 2. 89, "Εκτορα . . . Τρώας ἄμαχον

αστραβή κίονα.

287. The Trojans led by Hector drove back the Greeks to their ships, and set fire to the ships; cf. II. 15.718 sqq.; 16. 112, 122 sqq.

288. Zeùs Φύξιος was the protector of fugitives.

πορθουμένοισι κῆρας ἀρκέσαι πικράς.
τότ' οὔτε τάφρος, οὔτε ναυλόχων σταθμῶν 290
πρόβλημα, καὶ σταυροῖσι κορσωτὴ πτέρυξ,
οὖ γεῖσα χραισμήσουσιν, οὖδ' ἐπάλξιες·
ἀλλ' ὡς μέλισσαι συμπεφυρμένοι καπνῷ
καὶ λιγνύος ῥιπαῖσι καὶ γρυνῶν βολαῖς,
ἄφλαστα καὶ κόρυμβα καὶ κληδῶν θρόνους 295
πυκνοὶ κυβιστητῆρες ἐξ ἐδωλίων
πηδῶντες, αἰμάξουσιν ὀθνείαν κόνιν.

Πολλοὺς δ' ἀριστεῖς πρωτόλειά θ' Ἑλλάδος αἰχιιῆ φέροντας, καὶ σποραῖς ὡγκωμένους, αἱ σαὶ καταξανοῦσιν ὅβριμοι χέρες, 300 φόνῳ βλύουσαι κἀπιμαιμῶσαι μάχης. ἐγὼ δὲ πένθος οὐχὶ μεῖον οἴσομαι, τὰς σὰς στένουσα, καὶ δι' αἰῶνος, ταφάς. οἰκτρὸν γάρ, οἰκτρὸν κεῖν' ἐπόψομαι φάος, καὶ πημάτων ὕψιστον, ὧν κράντης χρόνος, 305 μήνης ἑλίσσων κύκλον, αὐδηθήσεται.

Αἰαῖ, στενάζω καὶ σὸν εὖγλαγον θάλος, ὧ σκύμνε, τερπνὸν ἀγκάλισμα συγγόνων, ὅς τ' ἄγριον δράκοντα πυρφόρω βαλῶν ἴυγγι τόξων, τὸν τυπέντα δ' ἐν βρόχοις 310 μάρψας ἀφύκτοις βαιὸν ἀστεργῆ χρόνον, πρὸς τοῦ δαμέντος αὐτὸς οὐ τετρωμένος, καρατομηθεὶς τύμβον αἵμάξεις πατρός.

Οίμοι δυσαίων, καὶ διπλᾶς ἀηδόνας

**295**. ἄφλαστον, Lat. *aplustre*, was a ship's stern-post adorned with a sort of feather-shaped end (κόρυμβα). On the meaning and construction of this passage see Jebb on Soph. *Aj*. 1276 (Appendix).

296. έδώλια = the raised quarter-deck at a ship's stern.

298. Hector shall slay many of the greatest Greek chieftains.
308. Troilus, the youngest of the sons of Priam, was supposed to

To ward off bitter death from harried men.

Then neither trench nor fence of stationed ships 290

Nor wing-like palisades of sharpened stakes

Nor buttresses nor breast-works shall them aid;

But they, like bees, confounded by the smoke

And whirling fire-clouds and the hurled brands,

To the stern-ensigns and the rowers' seats 295

Springing in crowds like divers from the decks

Shall with their life-blood dye a foreign strand.

Full many chiefs, who bear off with their spears
The choicest spoils for Hellas, and who swell
With pride of birth, thy heavy hands shall rend 300
Which drip with gore and crave for conflicts new.
But none the less shall be my load of grief
As I bewail thy tomb to my life's end;
For I shall live to see that sad, sad day,
The greatest woe shall it be called of all 305
Which Time, that rolls the moon's orb, brings to pass.

Ah me! thy milky freshness too I mourn,
Thou lion's whelp clasped in fond brothers' arms,
Thou who shalt smite the savage dragon's heart
With fiery love-darts, and thy victim catch 310
In nooses fast for a brief loveless time;
Thyself, unwounded by thy captive's love,
With severed neck shalt thy sire's altar splash.

Ah wretched me! the sister nightingales

have been begotten by Apollo. Achilles was smitten with love for him, and, when Troilus resisted and sought refuge in the temple of his father Apollo, Achilles in his wrath slew him there.

<sup>313.</sup>  $\tau \dot{\nu} \mu \beta o \nu = \beta \omega \mu \dot{o} \nu$ , cf. 613.

<sup>314.</sup> Cassandra foretells the death of her sisters Laodice and Polyxena, daughters of Priam.

καὶ σόν, τάλαινα, πότμον αἰάζω, σκύλαξ.	315
ων την μεν αὐτόπρεμνον ή τοκας κόνις	
χανούσα κευθμῷ χείσεται διασφάγος,	
λεύσσουσαν ἄτην ἀγχίπουν στεναγμάτων,	
ϊν' ἄλμα πάππου, καὶ χαμευνάδος μόροι	
τῆς λαθρονύμφου πόρτιος μεμιγμένοι	320
σκύμνω κέχυνται, πρὶν λαφύξασθαι γάνος,	
πρὶν ἐκ λοχείας γυῖα χυτλῶσαι δρόσω.	
σὲ δ' ὼμὰ πρὸς νυμφεῖα καὶ γαμηλίους	
άξει θυηλάς στυγνός "Ιφιδος λέων,	
μητρὸς κελαινῆς χέρνιβας μιμούμενος,	325
ην είς βαθείαν λαιμίσας ποιμανδρίαν	
στεφηφόρον βοῦν δεινὸς ἄρταμος δράκων	
ραίσει τριπάτρω φασγάνω Κανδάονος,	
λύκοις τὸ πρωτόσφακτον ὅρκιον σχάσας.	
σὲ δ' ἀμφὶ κοίλην αἰχμάλωτον ήόνα	330

315. Hecuba, wife of Priam, was transformed into a dog; see 333 sqq. 316. Laodice, at the fall of Troy, being pursued by the Greeks, sprang

into a chasm and was swallowed up.

319.  $\delta \lambda \mu \alpha = \delta \lambda \sigma \sigma s$ . The grandsire of Laodice was Laomedon, but, as  $\pi \delta \pi \pi \sigma s$  can be used for any ancestor, Lycophron is probably referring to the tomb of Ilus; cf.  $\mathcal{U}$ . 11. 166, etc.

320. Cilla, wife of Priam's brother, had union with Priam, and

bore Munippus. For their death see on 224.

323. Achilles' love for Polyxena led to his death (271 n.). After his death he appeared in dreams to the Greek chieftains and demanded the sacrifice of Polyxena at his tomb, as if he still loved her after death. She was slain at his tomb by his son Neoptolemus, and Lycophron represents this slaughter as a wedding-rite.

324. Iphis = Iphigeneia, mother of Neoptolemus; see on 183.

Iphigeneia sacrificed human victims at Tauris; see on 186.

326. The Schol. mentions two views with regard to  $\hat{\eta}\nu$ :—(I) that it refers to Polyxena; (2) that it refers to Iphigeneia. Holzinger and Ciaceri take the first view; Canter and Wilamowitz take the second. The first seems more natural. Neoptolemus has been called a snake in 185 supr. Wilamowitz says that the snake here is Agamemnon who sacrificed Iphigeneia; the sword (328) he explains as Pelops' sword; and he takes  $Ka\nu\delta\acute{a}o\nuos$   $\lambda\acute{\nu}\kappao\iota s$  together, understanding by  $Ka\nu\delta\acute{a}\omega\nu$  Ares.

And thy doom I lament, thou grief-worn dog. One that same earth, which bare her, opening wide Shall swallow utterly in yawning depths, As she sees direful ruin close at hand. There by her forebear's grove, where concubine Who wed in secret now lies joined in death 320 With her own offspring ere it sucked the breast And ere her limbs were bathed, her travail past. And thee shall lead to cruel bridal-feast And wedding-sacrifices Iphis' son, Grim lion, using his fierce mother's rites; 325 Slitting her throat into a vessel deep The snake, dread butcher of the wreath-crowned cow, Shall smite her with Candaon's thrice-owned sword. And slav for wolves the opening sacrifice. While thee, aged captive, on the hollow shore 330

Ποιμανδρία was another name for Tanagra, and, as the common noun τάναγρα was used for a bowl or vessel, ποιμανδρία is rightly taken here by Scaliger as meaning a vessel for catching the victim's blood (= σφαγείον). Those who print Ποιμανδρίαν as a proper name apparently think with Wilamowitz that from meaning Tanagra it could be used for the whole of Boeotia, and so for Aulis, and that the reference is to the sacrifice of Iphigeneia at Aulis.

328. This knife or sword was given by Hephaestus to Peleus, by Peleus to Achilles, by Achilles to Neoptolemus. Κανδάων (Κανδαῖος) is here Hephaestus "the burner" (καίων καὶ δαίων); where Lycophron gives the same title to Ares (938, 1410) he adds h Mauertos to define

the meaning.

329. The wolves are the Greeks.  $\sigma_{\chi} \dot{\alpha} \sigma as$  is explained by Holzinger as =  $\tau \epsilon \mu \omega \nu$ , cutting the throat of the victim ( $\tau \delta \delta \rho \kappa \iota \sigma \nu$ ); Ciaceri takes it to mean "loosing," "discharging," and  $\pi \rho$ .  $\delta \rho \kappa$ . as the first of the sacrifices which the Greeks had sworn to make after the fall of Troy. Holzinger thinks that the point of πρωτόσφακτον is that Polyxena was the first human victim actually slain by the Greeks, as Iphigeneia had been rescued from the knife (191 supr.).

330. Hecuba was stoned to death by the Dolonci, who dwelt on the coast of Thrace. She had cursed and blinded Polymestor, the Thracian king, for his treachery to her son Polydorus. In Eur. Hec. 1266 sqq. Polymestor prophesies that she should be transformed

πρέσβυν Δολόγκων δημόλευστον ωλένη, έπεσβόλοις άραισιν ήρεθισμένη, κρύψει κύπασσις χερμάδων επομβρία, Μαίρας ὅταν φαιουρὸν ἀλλάξης δομήν. Ο δ' αμφὶ τύμβω ταγαμέμνονος δαμείς, 335 κρηπίδα πήγω νέρθε καλλυνεί πλόκω, ό πρός καλύπτρης τῆς ὁμαίμονος τάλας ωνητός αίθαλωτόν είς πάτραν μολών, τὸ πρὶν δ' ἀμυδρὸν οὔνομ' αἰστώσας σκότω, όταν χέλυδρος πυρσον ωμόθριξ βαρύν 340 απεμπολητής της φυταλμίας χθονός φλέξας, τὸν ωδίνοντα μορμωτὸν λόγον άναψαλάξη γαστρός έλκύσας ζυγά, τῆς Σισυφείας δ' ἀγκύλης λαμπούριδος λάμψη κακὸν φρύκτωρον αὐτανέψιος 345 τοίς είς στενήν Λεύκοφρυν έκπεπλωκόσι, καὶ παιδοβρώτος Πορκέως νήσους διπλάς.

'Εγω δε τλήμων ή γάμους ἀρνουμένη, εν παρθενώνος λαΐνου τυκίσμασιν,

into a dog and leap into the sea, and that the promontory of  $\kappa_{\nu\nu}$   $\delta_3$   $\sigma_{\mu\alpha}$  should mark the grave. Ovid (*Met.* 13. 565 sqq.) describes her transformation into a dog when she was being stoned by the Thracians.

334. Maera was the faithful dog which enabled Erigone to find the murdered body of her father Icarius (Apollod. 3. 14. 7). The name was also given to the Dog-star. In the form of Maera, i.e. of a black hound, Hecuba became an attendant of Hecate; cf. 1176 infr.

335. Priam was slain at the altar (τύμβω = βωμφ̂, cf. 313) of Zeus ξρκεῖοs; cf. Eur. *Tro.* 16. Zeus was worshipped at Sparta under the title of Agamempon; cf. 1124, 1260

title of Agamemnon; cf. 1124, 1369.

337. Podarces, son of Laomedon, was ransomed by the golden veil of his sister Hesione when Troy was sacked by Heracles (34 n.), and his name was then changed to Priam  $(\pi\rhoi\alpha\sigma\theta\alpha\iota, to buy)$ .

340. Antenor, brother-in-law of Priam, was a traitor to Troy. Apparently he held a torch to light the Greeks as they came out of the wooden horse.

Stoned publicly by the Doloncian folk	
Embittered by thy curses and abuse,	
A robe shall cover wrought of showering stones,	
When Maera's dusky form thou shalt assume.	
And he at Zeus's altar overcome	335
Shall beautify its base with silvery locks,	
Poor soul, who, ransomed by his sister's veil,	
To his smoke-blackened country did return,	
His former name lost in obscurity;	
What time the bristling serpent, he who sold	340
His mother-land, shall fire the fatal torch,	
And shall set free the gruesome ambushed brood,	
Loosing the beams which bar the horse's womb,	
And the own cousin of that fox, whose craft	
Is Sisypheian, shows a baneful light	345
To those who sailed to narrow Leucophrys	
And child-devouring Porces' islets twain.	
And I, the hapless, who spurned marriage-ties,	
Within the masonry of my stone room,	

**342.** For λόχον, "ambuscade," cf. Od. 8. 515,  $i\pi\pi\delta\theta\epsilon\nu$  ἐκχύμενοι, κοιλον λόχον ἐκπρολιπόντες, but Lycophron is also referring to its other meaning, "parturition."

344. The fire-signal to the Greek fleet was given by Sinon. He was cousin of Odysseus who, according to one legend, was a son of Sisyphus; cf. 1030.

346. Leucophrys (232 n.) was the old name of Tenedos, to which the

Greek fleet withdrew, pretending to return to Greece.

347. The islets of Porces (Porceus) were the Calydnae (cf. 25) near Tenedos. From them came the two serpents, Porces and Chariboea, which strangled Laocoon and his sons; cf. Aen. 2. 199 sqq.

348. Cassandra proceeds to describe her own fate at the fall of

Trov.

349. The stone chamber in which Cassandra was imprisoned by Priam was apparently without windows ( $\lambda \nu \gamma \alpha (\alpha s, 351)$ , and built either in the form of a pyramid (so the Schol.  $\pi \nu \rho \alpha \mu \sigma \epsilon \iota \delta \hat{\eta}$  olkov) or a dome (θόλοs).

άνις τεράμνων, είς ἀνώροφον στέγην	350
είρκτῆς άλιβδύσασα λυγαίας δέμας,	
ή τὸν Θοραΐον Πτῷον 'Ωρίτην θεὸν	
λίπτοντ' ἀλέκτρων ἐκβαλοῦσα δεμνίων,	
ώς δή κορείαν ἄφθιτον πεπαμένη	
πρὸς γῆρας ἄκρου, Παλλάδος ζηλώμασι	355
τῆς μισονύμφου Λαφρίας Πυλάτιδος,	
τῆμος βιαίως φάσσα πρὸς τόργου λέχος	
γαμψαΐσιν ἄρπαις οἰνὰς έλκυσθήσομαι,	
ή πολλὰ δὴ Βούδειαν Αἴθυιαν Κόρην	
άρωγὸν αὐδάξασα τάρροθον γάμων.	360
η δ' είς τέραμνα δουρατογλύφου στέγης	
γλήνας ἄνω στρέψασα χώσεται στρατῷ,	
έξ οὐρανοῦ πεσοῦσα καὶ θρόνων Διός,	
ἄνακτι πάππφ χρῆμα τιμαλφέστατον.	
ένὸς δὲ λώβης ἀντί, μυρίων τέκνων	365
Έλλὰς στενάξει πᾶσα τοὺς κενοὺς τάφους,	
ουκ οστοθήκαις χοιράδωυ εφημένους,	
οὐδ' ὑστάτην κεύθοντας ἐκ πυρὸς τέφρην	
κρωσσοῖσι ταρχυθεῖσαν, ἡ θέμις φθιτῶν,	
άλλ' οὔνομ' οἰκτρὸν καὶ κενηρίων γραφὰς	370

351. The verb ἁλιβδύω properly meant to sink in the sea (Schol.).

352. For Ptoan Apollo see on 265. Apollo had the title Θοραίος or Θοράτης amongst the Laconians as giver of increase to flocks and herds. He was called 'Ωρίτης as Sun-god.

**356.** Athene was called  $\Lambda \alpha \phi \rho i \alpha$  (=  $\Lambda \alpha \phi \nu \rho i \alpha$ ) as giver of booty  $(\dot{\alpha} \gamma \epsilon \lambda \epsilon i \eta, \lambda \eta i \tau \iota s)$ ; as  $\Pi \nu \lambda \hat{\alpha} \tau \iota s$ , "warden of the gate," she was frequently depicted at the entrance to a city.

357. The Locrian Ajax, son of Oileus, violated Cassandra in the

temple of Athene at Troy.

**359.** Athene bore the name  $Boi\delta\epsilon\iota\alpha$  (cf.  $Boa\rho\mu\iota\alpha$ , 520) as having taught men ploughing. She had the title  $Ai\theta\nu\iota\alpha$  in Megara as a seagoddess; and the titles  $K\delta\rho\eta$  and  $\Pi\alpha\rho\theta\epsilon\nu$ os were given to her on account of her virginity.

362. The Palladium, or statue of Pallas Athene, was said to have

Devoid of panelled ceiling, plunged myself 350 Inside a roofless gloomy prison vault, Because the Ptoan god, the god of birth, Who brings the seasons, from my virgin couch I drove, as though endowed with maidenhood To last to furthest eld, like Pallas who 355 Loathed wedlock, goddess both of spoil and gates; Then forcibly like dove to falcon's nest By crooked claws I frenzied shall be borne, Oft calling the Ox-yoker, the Seamew, The Maid, to save me from this ravishment: 360 She, to the panels of the beam-carved roof Turning her eyes, shall wax wroth with the host, She, who once fell from heaven and Zeus's throne, My royal ancestor's most cherished prize. For this one man's transgression Hellas all 365 Of countless sons shall mourn the empty tombs— Not placed upon the reefs which hold their bones, Nor keeping the last ashes from the pyres Bestowed in urns, the dues men give the dead,— Merely sad names and words inscribed upon 370

fallen from heaven on the first day after the founding of Ilium, when Ilus asked from Zeus a favouring sign.

**365.** The violence done to Cassandra by Ajax was regarded as the cause of the disasters which befell the Greeks on their homeward voyage.

367. It does not seem possible to extract any sense from the reading of the MSS. οὐκ οστοθήκαιs, χοιράδων δ' ἐφημένουs. Ciaceri follows Holzinger in reading οστοθήκαιs. ἐφημένων (putting no comma after ἐφημένων), i.e. these cenotaphs contain neither coffins filled with bones (οστοθήκαs), nor (since the hapless Greeks have been thrown on the Capharean reefs and rest there) urns filled with ashes; ἐφημένων thus referring to the Greeks. With my reading, which I have ventured to adopt in the text, the meaning is that the cenotaphs are not placed upon the reefs which are the real οστοθῆκαι of the Greeks; ἐφημένουs being thus taken with τάφουs. χοιράδων is a genitive of "material," defining what the οστοθῆκαι consist of.

θερμοίς τεκόντων δακρύοις λελουμένας παίδων τε καὶ θρήνοισι τοῖς όμευνίδων.

'Οφέλτα καὶ μύχουρε χοιράδων Ζάραξ, σπίλοι τε κατ Τρύχαντα και τραχύς Νέδων, 375 καὶ πάντα Διρφωσσοῖο καὶ Διακρίων γωλειά, καὶ Φύρκυνος οἰκητήριον, οσων στεναγμών έκβεβρασμένων νεκρών σύν ήμιθραύστοις ἰκρίοις ἀκούσετε, ισων δε φλοίσβων ραχίας ανεκβάτου δίναις παλιρροίοισιν έλκοντος σάλου. 380 όσων δὲ θύννων ηλοκισμένων ραφάς πρός τηγάνοισι κρατός, ών καταιβάτης σκηπτὸς κατ' ὄρφνην γεύσεται δηουμένων, όταν καρηβαρεύντας έκ μέθης άγων, λαμπτῆρα φαίνη τὸν ποδηγέτην σκότου 385 σίντης, αγρύπνω προσκαθήμενος τέχνη. Τὸν δ' οἷα δύπτην κηρύλον διὰ στενοῦ αὐλῶνος οἴσει κῦμα γυμνήτην φάγρον, διπλων μεταξύ χοιράδων σαρούμενον. Γυραΐσι δ' έν πέτραισι τερσαίνων πτερά 390

373. Cassandra apostrophizes the mountains and cliffs of Euboea, where the Greek vessels were wrecked near the promontory of Caphareus. Zarex was a promontory which enclosed sunken reefs as

in a bay.

**374.** I follow Scheer and Ciaceri in reading Hermann's  $\kappa \alpha \tau$  (=  $\kappa \alpha \tau \alpha$ ) Τρύχαντα for  $\kappa \alpha i$  Τρύχατα of the MSS. Lycophron uses the form Τρύχαs instead of the usual Τρῦχαι as the name of a city in Euboea. Holzinger reads  $\kappa \alpha i$  Τρυχάντα (a vocative from a form Τρυχάντηs = Mount Trychantes).

376. Φόρκυνος: cf. 477. His home here is the sea or sea-caves on

the coast of Euboea.

381. θύννων depends loosely on ἀκούσετε (378). Shipwrecked men

are compared to tunnies in Aesch. Pers. 424.

382.  $\tau \dot{\eta} \gamma \alpha \nu o \nu$ , used here for a flat rock (Schol.), properly meant a frying-pan, and Lycophron's grim joke seems to be that the torn

The cenotaphs, bathed in the warm tears shed By parents, children, and by sobbing brides.

Opheltes, and thou, guard of reefs, Zarax, Cliffs near to Trychas, and thou Nedon bluff, Dirphosian and Diacrian hollows all, 375 Thou dwelling which the sea-god Phorcyn haunts, What wailings shall ve hear, when on the shore Are cast the corpses and half-broken decks! What roaring of the surge impassable As the sea sucks with backward eddyings! 380 How many tunnies with their head-seams torn On pan-like rocks! The swooping thunderbolt Shall taste of them slain in the murk of night, When, leading those whose heads are heavy still With wine, the wrecker shows a light to guide 385 In darkness, on his sleepless arts intent.

One, like a diving halcyon, the waves Shall bear, a naked bream, through narrow sound, Swept in the space between two rugged reefs; And, as on Gyrae's rocks he seeks to dry 390

bodies are thrown on the rocks as sliced tunnies are thrown in a frying-pan, and then the lightning tastes the bodies as a dish that has been cooked.

384. The Greeks were heavy with wine when they began the return

voyage from Troy; cf. Od. 3. 139.

385. Nauplius, king of Euboea, in vengeance for the murder of his son Palamedes by the other Greek chieftains at Troy, hung out false beacon-lights at Caphareus to wreck the Greek ships on their return. 387. Cassandra describes the fate of Ajax, son of Oileus (357 n.).

388. The sound referred to is that between Tenos and Myconos, two of the Cyclades. Holzinger suggests that it is on account of the red colour of the φάγρος, the sea-bream or braize, that the naked body of Ajax tossed about by the waves is compared with it.

390. Gyrae were either cliffs on the south coast of Tenos, or rocks

between Tenos and Myconos.

στάζουτα πόντου, δευτέραν ἄλμην σπάσει,	
βληθεὶς ἀπ' ὅχθων τῷ τριωνύχῷ δορί,	
ῷ νιν κολαστὴς δεινὸς οὐτάσας λατρεὺς	
άναγκάσει φάλλαισι κοινωνεῖν δρόμου,	
κόκκυγα κομπάζοντα μαψαύρας στόβους.	395
ψυχρον δ' επ' ακταῖς εκβεβρασμένον νέκυν	
δελφῖνος ἀκτὶς Σειρία καθαυανεί.	
τάριχον εν μνίοις δε και βρύοις σαπρον	
κρύψει κατοικτίσασα Νησαίας κάσις,	
Δίσκου μεγίστου τάρροθος Κυναιθέως.	400
τύμβος δε γείτων ὔρτυγος πετρουμένης	
τρέμων φυλάξει ρόχθον Αίγαίας άλός.	
την Καστνίαν δὲ καὶ Μελιναίαν θεὸν	
λυπρός παρ' "Αιδην δεννάσει κακορροθών,	
ή μιν παλεύσει δυσλύτοις οιστρου βρόχοις,	405
έρωτας οὐκ έρωτας, ἀλλ' Ἐρινύων	
πικραν αποψήλασα κηρουλκον πάγην.	
"Απασα δ' ἄλγη δέξεται κωκυμάτων,	
οσην "Αρατθος έντος ήδε δύσβατοι	
Λειβήθριαι σφίγγουσι Δωτίου πύλαι,	410

**392.**  $\tau \rho \iota \omega \nu \dot{\nu} \chi \omega$  δορί = the trident.

393. Poseidon chastised Laomedon (34 n.), Odysseus, Ajax, etc. He acted as hireling to Laomedon when he built for him the walls of Troy.

395. For the vaunting words of Ajax which roused the wrath of

Poseidon see Od. 4. 503 sqq.

396. Sirius is here the Sun, as in Archil. fr. 61 (Bgk.), πολλούς μεν αυτών Σείριος καταυανεί.

399. Nesaea was one of the Nereids; her sister is Thetis.

400. Thetis, when Hera, Athene, and Poseidon wished to fetter Zeus, summoned Briareus to the rescue and delivered Zeus (Il. 1. 398 sqq.). Zeus got the title of Cynaetheus from the city of Cynaetha in Arcadia, where he was worshipped. He is here called Δίσκος (a round stone or quoit) in reference to the legend that Rhea gave to Cronos a stone to devour instead of the infant Zeus; see 1199 infr.

His sea-drenched wings, a second time he gulps The brine, hurled from the cliffs by three-pronged spear With which the dread chastiser, hireling once, Shall smite and force him in with whales adrift. That cuckoo vaunting with his frothy boasts. 395 And the Sun's beams shall wither the cold corpse, Like to a dolphin's, cast upon the beach. Nesaea's sister by compassion moved Shall hide in weeds and moss this salt-fish foul. She, who most mighty Zeus, the Stone, did help. His tomb near by the quail turned into rock Trembling shall watch the wild Aegaean sea. In Hades with sad taunts he shall revile Melina's goddess who haunts Castnium; She shall him snare in binding noose of lust, 405 Love, but not true love,—'tis a bitter trap, The Furies' doom-fraught trap, which she shall spring. And grief and woe shall come on all the land, All that Aratthus bounds and that hard pass, Leibethrum's rocky gate to Dotium. 410

**401.** Asteria, sister of Leto, to escape the love of Zeus, changed herself into a quail and threw herself into the sea. Zeus transformed her into a rock or islet called Ortygia, afterwards known as Delos. πετρουμένηs is preferable to the variant πτερουμένηs.

402. Thetis buried Ajax in the little island of Myconos (388 n.). His tomb on the shore trembles at the waves which still threaten to assail him. Tzetzes says that the tomb was in Delos, at a place called

Τρέμων.

403. Aphrodite tempted Ajax to outrage Cassandra. The goddess was honoured at Mt. Castnium in Pamphylia, and at Melina, a city of

Argolis.

408. With  $\alpha\pi\alpha\sigma$  supply  $\gamma\hat{\eta}$ . Lycophron is describing Hellas in the old restricted sense of the word. Aratthus (or Araethus) was a river of Epeirus. For Leibethrum see on 274. Dotium was a plain in Thessaly at the foot of Mt. Ossa.

οίς ούμος έσται κάχερουσίαν πάρα ρηγμίνα δαρον έστεναγμένος γάμος. πολλών γαρ εν σπλάγχνοισι τυμβευθήσεται βρωθείς πολυστοίχοισι καμπέων γνάθοις νήριθμος έσμός οί δ' έπὶ ξένης ξένοι 415 παων έρημοι δεξιώσονται τάφους. Τὸν μὲν γὰρ 'Ηιών Στρυμόνος Βισαλτία. 'Αψυνθίων ἄγχουρος ήδὲ Βιστόνων, κουροτρόφον πάγουρον 'Ηδωνών πέλας κρύψει, πρίν η Τυμφρηστόν αὐγάσαι λέπας, 420 τον πατρί πλείστον έστυγημένον βροτών, δμηρον ός μιν θηκε τετρήνας λύγνους, ετ' εἰς νόθον τρήρωνος ηὐνάσθη λέχος. Τρισσούς δὲ ταρχύσουσι Κερκάφου νάπαι "Αλευτος οὐκ ἄπωθε καύηκας ποτῶν. 425 τὸν μέν, Μολοσσοῦ Κυπέως Κοίτου κύκνον, συὸς παραπλαγχθέντα θηλείας τόκων, ότ' εἰς ὀλύνθων δῆριν έλκύσας σοφὴν τὸν ἀνθάμιλλον, αὐτὸς ἐκ μαντευμάτων

417. Phœnix, son of Amyntor, born at Tymphrestus (420) in Trachis, was buried at Eion on the Strymon in Thrace. The Bisaltae, etc., were people of Thrace.

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σφαλείς ιαύσει τὸν μεμορμένον πότμον.

τὸν δ' αῦ, τέταρτον ἐγγόνων Ἐρεχθέως,

419. Phœnix reared Achilles (11. 9. 485), and he is here called πάγουρος from his skin, hard and wrinkled with age (cf. 11. 9. 446;

17. 561).

**421.** Amyntor blinded Phœnix for intriguing with an illegitimate wife  $(\nu \delta \theta \sigma \nu \lambda \dot{\epsilon} \chi \sigma s)$  of Amyntor's named Clytie. His sight was afterwards restored by Cheiron.

423. The dove, sacred to Aphrodite, symbolizes lust; cf. 87.
424. Calchas, Idomeneus, and Sthenelus, three of the Greeks at Troy, were buried at the foot of Cercaphus, a mountain near Colophon in Lydia. The Ales is the river Hales flowing by Colophon.

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By them my ravishment, even on the shores Of Acheron, shall be bewailed for long; For in sea-monsters' maws shall be entombed, Devoured by many jaws with serried teeth, A swarm unnumbered; others on strange soil 415 Strangers, bereft of kin, shall find a grave. Bisaltic Eion, Strymon's town, shall hide One near Absynthian and Bistonian land And the Edonians—a boy-rearing crab— Or ever he beholds Tymphrestus' cliffs, 420 He, loathed above all others by his sire Who pierced his lamps of sight and blinded him When he had commerce with a twice-loved dove. Three seagulls too the glens of Cercaphus Shall bury, not remote from Ales' stream. 425 The first, Molossus' Cypeus' Coetus' swan, Failing to guess aright the sow's young brood, When he his rival to the fig-test draws, A cunning test, and overthrown himself

As oracles foretold shall sleep death's sleep.

Another, fourth in line from Zeus of old,

427. Mopsus was challenged by Calchas to give the number of figs on a certain tree, which he gave correctly; he then asked Calchas to predict the number of a sow's litter, and Calchas failed. Calchas was

fated to die when he met with a wiser seer.

431. The line of Idomeneus was—Zeus, Minos, Deucalion, Idomeneus. Erechtheus = Zeus; cf. 158.

Αἴθωνος αὐτάδελφον ἐν πλασταῖς γραφαῖς. τρίτον δέ, του μόσσυνας Έκτηνων ποτέ στερρά δικέλλη βουσκαφήσαντος γόνον, ον Γογγυλάτης είλε Βουλαίος Μυλεύς, 435 άγηλάτω μάστιγι συνθραύσας κάρα, ημος ξυναίμους πατρός αί Νυκτός κόραι πρός αὐτοφόντην στρηνον ωπλισαν μόρου.

Δοιοί δε ρείθρων Πυράμου προς εκβολαίς αὐτοκτόνοις σφαγαῖσι Δηραίνου κύνες 440 δμηθέντες, αλχμάσουσι λοισθίαν βοήν πύργων ύπὸ πτέρναισι Παμφύλου κόρης. αίπὺς δ' άλιβρως ὄχμος ἐν μεταιχμίω Μάγαρσος άγνων ἢρίων σταθήσεται, ώς μη βλέπωσι, μηδε νερτέρων έδρας 445 δύντες, φόνω λουσθέντας άλλήλων τάφους.

Οἱ πέντε δὲ Σφήκειαν εἰς Κεραστίαν καὶ Σάτραχον βλώξαντες Ύλάτου τε γην, Μορφω παροικήσουσι την Ζηρυνθίαν.

432. The reference is to Od. 19. 183, where Odysseus pretends that

his name is Aethon, and that Idomeneus is his brother.

433. Sthenelus was son of Capaneus, whose assault on Thebes is described in Aesch. Th. 423 sqq. He defied the gods, and was struck by the lightning of Zeus; cf. Soph. Ant. 134. The ancestors of the

Thebans in the time of Ogygus were called Ektyves.

435. Zeus was called Γογγυλάτης = ἐλατὴρ βροντῆς, qui fulmina torquet; cf. Hesych. γογγύλλειν συστρέφειν. He was honoured in many towns as Βουλαίος: at Athens the βουλευταί swore by Zeùs Βουλαίος. As Μυλεύς he seems to have been honoured in mills; cf. Hesych. προμύλαια θεδς ίδρυμένη έν τοις μυλώσι, and the Μυλάντιοι θεοί mentioned by Steph. Byz.

**436.** Cf. κεραυνίη μάστιξ, 740. In Hom. μάστιξ Διός seems to be used of a two-pointed goad (Leaf on *Il.* 12. 37); for the meaning in Aesch. see Verrall on *Th.* 595.

437. The Furies were the daughters of Night. At their instigation Eteocles and Polyneices, brothers by Iocasta of their own father

Oedipus, fought and slew each other.

439. Mopsus and Amphilochus, "hounds" (i.e. faithful prophets) of Apollo (called Δήραινος at Abdera in Thrace), founded the city of Aethon's own brother in the lying book.

The third is son of him who undermined
With his rude mattock the Ectenian towers;

The Thunderer, Adviser, God of Mills,

Crushed in his head with guilt-expelling scourge,
What time Night's daughters armed with fell desire
The father's brothers to shed brother's blood.

Two at the outlets of the Pyramus,
Apollo's hounds, fall by each other's stroke.

With their last war-cry flies their spear, at foot
Of fort built by the child of Pamphylus.

Magarsus, lofty sea-gnawed hill, shall stand
In the mid space between their holy tombs,
So that they may not see, not e'en in death,
The other's grave besprinkled with his blood.

Five, coming to Spheceia's horned isle, To Satrachus and to Apollo's land, Shall dwell near Aphrodite, Beauty's queen.

Mallus at the mouth of the Pyramus, a river in Cilicia. Amphilochus left the control of the city to Mopsus, and went to Argos for a year. When he returned, Mopsus refused to give him any share in the government; then they fought, and both were slain.

443. Magarsus was the name of a hill near Mallus. It was called after the daughter of Pamphylus, from whom Pamphylia took its name. On this hill was a fortress, and the graves of the two heroes lay at the

foot of the hill on opposite sides.

447. Teucer, Agapenor, Acamas, Praxander, and Cepheus came, after the fall of Troy, to Cyprus, the old inhabitants of which bore the name  $\sum \phi \hat{\eta} \kappa \epsilon s$ . It was called  $K \epsilon \rho \alpha \sigma \tau i \alpha$  either from its numerous promontories or from its having been peopled by a fabulous folk with horns.

448. The Satrachus was a river of Cyprus. Hyle was a place in the south of the island sacred to Apollo, who was hence called ' $\Upsilon\lambda\acute{\alpha}\tau\eta s$ , a

title also interpreted Silvanus.

449.  $Mop\phi\dot{\omega}$  was a title of Aphrodite at Sparta, and denoted the goddess of beauty and grace. Zerynthus was on the coast of Thrace (77 n.), and possessed temples of Aphrodite and Apollo. The cult of Aphrodite (Cypris) at Cyprus was famous.

ό μεν πατρός μομφαίσιν ήλαστρημένος	450
Κυχρεῖος ἄντρων Βωκάρου τε ναμάτων,	
ούμος ξύναιμος, ως οπατρίου φονεύς	
πώλου, νόθον φίτυμα, συγγενῶν βλάβη,	
τοῦ λύσσαν ἐν ποίμναισιν αλχμητηρίαν	
χέαντος, δυ χάρωνος ωμηστοῦ δορὰ	455
χαλκῷ τορητὸν οὐκ ἔτευξεν ἐν μάχη,	
μίαν πρὸς "Αιδην καὶ φθιτοὺς πεπαμένον	
κέλευθον, ἣν γωρυτὸς ἔκρυψε Σκύθης,	
ημος καταίθων θύσθλα Κωμύρ <i>ω λέων</i>	
σφῷ πατρὶ λάσκε τὰς ἐπηκόους λιτάς,	460
σκύμνον παρ' ἀγκάλαισιν ἀείτα βράσας.	
οὐ γάρ τι πείσει φῖτυν, ὡς ὁ Λήμνιος	
πρηστηρ Ένυους, οὔποτ' εἰς φύζαν τμαπείς,	
ταῦρος βαρύφρων, δυσμενεστάτου ξένων	
ἔτυψε δώρω σπλάγχνου, ἀρνεύσας λυγρον	465
πήδημα πρὸς κνώδοντος αὐτουργοὺς σφαγάς.	

**450.** Teucer  $(\mathbf{T} \in \hat{v} \kappa \rho o s)$ , son of Telamon, was exiled by his father for having caused (or not prevented) the death of his brother Ajax.

451. Cychreus, king of Salamis, left the kingdom to his son-in-law

Telamon. The Bocarus was a river there.

452. Teucer's mother was Hesione, sister of Priam, and so he was Cassandra's cousin. In Soph. Aj. 992 sqq. Teucer foretells all his father's taunts. He was a bastard as son of the slave Hesione, who was captured when Troy was taken by Heracles.

453.  $\sigma v \gamma \gamma \epsilon v \hat{\omega} v \beta \lambda \dot{\alpha} \beta \eta$  may mean either that he helped to ruin the Trojans who, through his mother, were his kin, or that he disgraced

his house by his ignoble birth and conduct.

454. The mad attack of Ajax on the flocks and herds of the Greeks which in his frenzy he mistook for the Greek chieftains is described in

Soph. Aj. 51 sqq., etc.

455. The legend was that Heracles covered the babe Ajax with the hide of the Nemean lion and prayed Zeus to render him invulnerable. The only vulnerable place which remained was that part of his body on which rested that portion of the lion's hide which, when Heracles wore it, came over the bow-case, and so was not in contact with the body of the hero, and could not communicate the virtue of invulnerability. The vulnerable part of Ajax was variously described as the shoulder, armpit, or side.

The first shall be exiled by father's taunts 450 From Cychreus' caves and streams of Bocarus,— My cousin, bastard son, his kinsmen's bane,-For slaving Ajax, sprung from the same sire, Who vented his mad might upon the flocks, Whom the fierce lion's hide had rendered proof 455 Against all wounds from bronze arms in the fray; One way alone to doom and death was his, A way the Scythian bow-case had concealed, When, burning sacrifice to Comyrus His sire, the lion prayed and answer found, 460 Dangling the eagle's youngling in his arms. For their begetter ne'er shall he convince That Lemnos' war-bolt, whom none turned to flight, The gloomy bull, with guest-gift from a foe Most bitter, pierced his heart, and made that leap-465

The death-spring—on his own sword's murderous point.

459. Comyrus was a title of Zeus in Halicarnassus. The "lion"

462. Telamon refused to believe that Ajax slew himself, and charged Teucer with his death. Lemnos was the island of fire (227 n.), and so

"Lemnian" meant "fiery." For Έννώ cf. 519.

464. Hector gave Ajax the sword in exchange for a belt (Il. 7. 303 sqq., Soph. Aj. 661, etc.). Ajax fell upon his sword which he had fixed by its hilt in the ground (Soph. Aj. 815 sqq.).

<sup>458.</sup> The Scythian herdsman Teutarus gave his bow to Heracles: see on 56 supr.

**<sup>461.</sup>** ἀείτα is a Boeotian form of ἀετοῦ (αἰετοῦ). Heracles gave the name Aἴας to the infant Ajax when Zeus sent the eagle (αἰετός) as a token that he would grant his prayer. Some take ἀείτα (or ἀἰτα) as = ἐταίρου, comparing Theocr. 12. 14, 20, where, however, the first syllable is short. Holzinger joins παρ' ἀγκάλαισιν ἀείτα as = παρ' ἀετοῦ πτέρυξιν, '' with the flapping of an eagle's wings,'' referring to the sending of the eagle by Zeus.

έλα δε πάτρας τηλε Τραμβήλου κάσιν, ον ή ξύναιμος πατρος έκλογεύεται. δοθείσα πρωταίχμεια τῷ πυργοσκάφω. ην δή ποτ', εν ρητραισι δημοτών σταθείς. 470 γλαυκώ κελαινον δόρπον ώτρυνεν κυνί στείλαι τριπλάς θύγατρας ὁ σπείρας βάβαξ, τῷ πᾶσαν ἄλμη πηλοποιοῦντι χθόνα, όταν κλύδωνας έξερεύγηται γνάθων, λάβρω σαλεύων παν τρικυμία πέδον. 475 ό δ' άντὶ πιποῦς σκορπίον λαιμώ σπάσας Φόρκω κακής ωδίνος εκλαυσεν βάρος, χρήζων πυθέσθαι πημάτων ξυμβουλίαν. ό δεύτερος δε νησον άγρότης μολών, χερσαίος αὐτόδαιτος ἐγγόνων δρυὸς 480 λυκαινομόρφων Νυκτίμου κρεανόμων, των πρόσθε μήνης φηγίνων πύρνων όχην σπληδώ κατ' άκρον χείμα θαλψάντων πυρός, γαλκωρυχήσει, καὶ τὸν ἐκ βόθρου σπάσει

467. Teucer was a brother of Trambelus, who was son of Telamon either by Theaneira or Hesione, who are identified in some traditions. δν may refer to κάσιν or to Τραμβήλου.

469. When Heracles stormed Troy (34 n.), he gave Hesione, sister

of Priam, as a prize to Telamon.

470. Phoenodamas, ordered by Laomedon to expose his three daughters to the avenging sea-monster sent by Poseidon (34 n.), called an assembly of the Trojan people, and persuaded them to decide that Laomedon should expose his own daughter Hesione. See also 952 sqq.

476. The monster swallowed Heracles instead of Hesione, and, in its agony after swallowing him, sought counsel and help from the

sea-god Phorcus (Phorcys, Phorcyn, 376 supr.).

479. Agapenor was the second of the five who came to Cyprus on their return from Troy (v. 447). He led the Arcadians to Troy in ships supplied by Agamemnon, for the Arcadians were mainlanders and not seafaring folk (cf. Il. 2. 614). They were a nation of shepherds and huntsmen, Artemis, the goddess of the chase, being an ancient Arcadian divinity.

No, he shall drive Trambelus' brother forth
Far from his land, whom my sire's sister bore,
Who fell a prize to him who stormed the town;
She, whom that prater, sire of daughters three,
In the folk's council urged should be sent forth
A grisly banquet for the grey-eyed hound
Who with the sea-brine turned the land to mud
When he poured forth the billows from his jaws
And made the whole ground shake with mountainsurge.

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A scorpion and not a bird he gulped,
And mourned to Phorcus his maw's grievous load,
Wishing to get his counsel in his woes.
The second comes a hunter to the isle,—
A mainlander of those whom Nature fed,
The oak-folk, wolf-formed, who tore Nyctimus;
They lived before the moon: their acorn food
They warmed in ashes through mid-winter's cold;—
He digs for bronze, and from the trench he tears

480. αὐτόδαιτος is variously explained:—(1) acorn-eating (Schol.), (2) getting corn from Nature or Demeter without tillage (Holzinger), (3) living an isolated life (Ciaceri), (4) bringing one's own share to a feast (L. and S.). ἐγγόνων is a partitive, genitive. The legend was that Arcas, when hunting, came across a Hamadryad nymph in danger of being swept away by a flood with the oak which was her home; he diverted the flood, and the grateful nymph wedded him, and from them sprang the Arcadians.

481. Nyctimus was one of the fifty sons of Lycaon, an old ruler of Arcadia. Zeus, having heard of the crimes of the house of Lycaon, came there as a poor stranger, and the other sons tore Nyctimus to pieces and served his flesh to Zeus. In his wrath Zeus slew some of them with thunderbolts, and turned others into wolves.

482. The Arcadians were called προσέληνοι, as they claimed to have existed before the moon; they were also called βαλανηφάγοι, acorneaters, cf. Hdt. 1. 66.

484. Agapenor, when he came to Cyprus, was supposed to have started the mines worked afterwards by the Phoenicians and Greeks.

βώλον, δικέλλη παν μεταλλεύων γνύθος.	485
οὖ φῖτυν ἠνάριξεν Οἰταῖος στόνυξ,	
βουβώνος εν τόρμαισι θρυλίξας δέμας.	
έγνω δ' ὁ τλήμων σὺν κακῷ μαθὼν ἔπος,	
ώς πολλά χείλευς καὶ δεπαστραίων ποτῶν	
μέσω κυλίνδει μοῖρα παμμήστωο βροτών.	490
ό δ' αὐτὸς ἀργῷ πᾶς φαληριῶν λύθρῳ	
στόρθυγξ δεδουπώς τον κτανόντ' ημύνατο,	
πλήξας ἀφύκτως ἄκρον ὀρχηστοῦ σφυρόν.	
τρίτος δὲ τοῦ μάρψαντος ἐκ κοίλης πέτρας	
κέλωρ γίγαντος ὅπλα, τοῦ ποτ' εἰς λέχος	495
λαθραῖον αὐτόκλητος Ἰδαία πύρις	
ή ζῶσ' ἐς "Αιδην εξεται καταιβάτις,	
θρήνοισιν ἐκτακεῖσα, Μουνίτου τοκάς	
δυ δή πυτ' άγρώσσουτα Κρηστώνης έχις	
κτενεί, πατάξας πτέρναν άγρίω βέλει,	500
<b>ὅταν τεκόντος αἰχμάλωτος εἰς χέρας</b>	

**486.** The father of Agapenor was Ancaeus (son of the Arcadian Lycurgus), who took part in the Calydonian boar-hunt, and was killed by the boar. Lycophron seems to confuse him with the other Ancaeus (son of Poseidon), a cultivator of vines, to whom it was foretold that he should never drink the juice of the vines which he was planting. Cup in hand at the vintage, he laughed to scorn the prophet, who replied: πολλὰ μεταξὺ πέλει κύλικος καὶ χείλεος ἄκρου. At that moment news came that a boar was devastating the vineyard, and Ancaeus, leaving the cup untasted, rushed to attack it, and was pierced by its tusk.

490. For κυλίνδει cf. Il. 17. 688, πημα θεδς Δαναοίσι κυλίνδει.

492. τον κτανόντα seems to be Meleager, who slew the boar, though we are not told elsewhere that the dying boar slew him. Others explain it as Hyleus or Agelaus (brother of Meleager) who were slain by the boar; but this involves explaining κτανόντα (like βουσκαφήσαντος, 434) as an acrist of purpose in past time, i.e. the man who tried to slay it.

493.  $\partial \rho \chi \eta \sigma \tau \sigma \hat{v}$  may refer to the agility of the huntsman (cf. its use of Meriones, Il, 16, 617) or to his convulsive leap when smitten by the

tusk.

494. The third who came to Cyprus (v. 447) was Acamas, son of

The clods, with mattock probing the whole pit. 485 His sire was pierced by tusk of Oeta's boar Rending his body at the curving groin, And learned in pain the meaning of the saw That in the space betwixt the cup and lip Much doom is rolled by all-contriving Fate. 490 And that same tusk, which with white slaver foamed, Took vengeance on the man who slew the boar, By sure thrust on that dancer's ancle-tip. The third is son of him who giant's arms Took from the hollow rock: to lie with him 495 By stealth, unbidden comes the Trojan maid, Who, still alive, to Hades must go down Dissolved in tears, she who bore Munitus— Whom once, when hunting, a Crestonian snake Smiting his heel with cruel fang shall slay— 500 Whene'er his father's mother, seized in war,

Theseus. Theseus' father was Aegeus, king of Athens, who had union with Aethra at Troezen in Argolis. When he was leaving her to return to Athens, he hid his sword and sandals under a huge block, and charged her that if a son were born and grew to manhood he should lift away the block and put on the sandals and sword and go to Athens, where his father would recognize him by means of these. Aegeus is called  $\gamma i \gamma as$  as belonging to the race of  $\gamma \eta \gamma \epsilon \nu \dot{\eta} s$  ' $E \rho \epsilon \chi \theta \epsilon \dot{\nu} s$  (III n.).

496. When Acamas went as envoy to the Trojans about the surrender of Helen, Laodice, daughter of Priam, had intercourse with

him, and gave birth to Munitus.

497. Έξεται is to be taken with είς λέχος (495); cf. 84 sq.

499. Munitus was killed by a snake when hunting in Chalcidice in Thrace. Crestone was properly the district between the Axius and

Strymon.

501. Laodice gave the infant Munitus to be reared by Aethra (mother of Theseus and grandmother of Acamas), who had been brought by Helen as her servant from Lacedaemon to Troy. Laodice apparently threw herself into the chasm (v. 317) in her despair at the time when Aethra restored his son Munitus to Acamas when he, with the other Greeks in the wooden horse, captured Troy.

ή πατρομήτωρ τον δνόφω τεθραμμένον βάλη νεογνον σκύμνον. ή μόνη ζυγον δούλειον αμφήρεισαν 'Ακταίων λύκοι της άρπαγείσης άντίποινα θυιάδος. 505 ων οστράκου στρόβιλος έντετμημένος κόρσην σκεπάζει όξημα φοινίου δορός. τὰ δ' ἄλλα θριπόβρωτος ἄψαυστος δόμων σφραγίς δοκεύει, θάμβος εγχώροις μέγα. ά δή πρός ἄστρων κλίμακα στήσει δρόμον 510 τοῖς ἡμιθνήτοις διπτύχοις Λαπερσίοις, ούς μήποτ', ὧ Ζεῦ σῶτερ, εἰς πάτραν ἐμὴν στείλαις άρωγούς τῆ δισαρπάγω κρεκί, μηδέ πτερωτάς όπλίσαντες ύλκάδας, πρύμνης ἀπ' ἄκρας γυμνὸν αἰψηρὸν πόδα 515 είς Βεβρύκων ρίψειαν εκβατηρίαν, μηδ' οἱ λεόντων τῶνδε καρτερώτεροι, άλκὴν ἄμικτοι, τοὺς "Αρης ἐφίλατο, καὶ δῖ 'Εννώ, καὶ Τριγέννητος θεὰ

502. An illegitimate child was called σκότιος.

504. The "wolves of Acte" are the Dioscuri, Castor and Polydeuces, who are so called as conquerors of Attica, the old name of which was Acte (cf. 111). The Athenians, Theseus and Peirithous, carried off Helen when a girl from Sparta, and, leaving her with Aethra (the mother of Theseus) at Aphidnae in Attica, went off to the underworld to bring back Proserpina. During their absence the Dioscuri seized Aphidnae and recovered their sister Helen, bringing away with her Aethra as a solitary captive, but sparing the rest of the country.

505. Helen is called  $\theta vi\acute{a}s$  as in 143 supr.

**506.** The reference is to the cap  $(\pi i \lambda os, pileus)$  worn by the Dioscuri,

which was in shape like half an eggshell.

508. The inhabitants, especially the Athenians, feared that Attica would be sacked, but the Dioscuri refrained from injuring the houses and property, as though under seal and inviolable. Pieces of wormeaten wood were used as seals; cf. θριπήδεστα σφραγίδια, Ar. Thesm. 427.

510. The magnanimity of the Dioscuri towards Attica, and

In the sire's hands shall place the new-born son Nurtured in darkness: for on her alone The wolves of Acte set the bondsman's voke In vengeance for the maenad carried off, 505 The wolves, for whom an eggshell's severed round Protects the head against the bloody spear. The other house-goods a worm-eaten seal Preserves intact, to burghers' great surprise. This to the starry course a ladder plants 510 For the half-mortals, that Lapersian pair, Whom never, saviour Zeus, to my land send As helpers to that corn-crake twice borne off; And let them not fit out their winged ships, Nor from the highest poop with bare swift foot 515 Leap forth on the Bebrycian landing-place; Nor those, more doughty than these lions bold, In valour unapproached, whom Ares loves, Envo and the Thrice-born goddess too,

especially Athens, secured them divine honours as "Avakes, and a place among the stars. They are called "half-mortal" from their being, after death, day about in the realms of the dead and the celestial regions; see 564. They got the title  $\Lambda \alpha \pi \epsilon \rho \sigma \alpha \iota$  or  $\Lambda \alpha \pi \epsilon \rho \sigma \iota \iota \iota$  from having stormed the Laconian city of Las (v. 95).

513. Helen was carried off by Theseus and by Paris. She is here called κρέξ, a bird whose croaking note was an unlucky omen at marriages. Helen's marriage with Menelaus was fraught with ill-luck.

516. The Bebryces were a mythical people of Bithynia: Lycophron uses the name as synonymous with Trojan; cf. 1305, 1474.

517. More mighty even than the Dioscuri were the Apharidae, Idas and Lynceus.

518. ἄμικτοι = ἀσύγκριτοι, "incomparable"; an alternative rendering of αλκήν αμικτοι is Canter's bello intractabiles. τους Αρης εφίλατο  $= a \rho \eta t \phi i \lambda o i$ .

519. Enyo was the goddess of war; cf. 463. One explanation of the Homeric Τριτογένεια was that Athene, as representing Nature, was born thrice in the year; Diod. 1. 12, ἀπὸ τοῦ τρὶς μεταβάλλειν αὐτῆς την φύσιν κατ' ένιαυτόν, έαρος και θέρους και χειμώνος.

Βοαρμία Λογγᾶτις 'Ομολωὶς Βία.	520
οὐκ ἄν, τὰ χειρώνακτες ἐργάται διπλοῖ,	
Δρύμας τε καὶ Πρόφαντος, ὁ Κρώμνης ἄναξ,	
έλατύπησαν κοιράνω ψευδωμότη,	
εν ημαρ αρκέσειε πορθηταίς λύκοις,	
στέξαι βαρείαν ἐμβολὴν ῥαιστηρίαν,	525
καίπερ πρό πύργων τον Καναστραΐου μέγαν	
έγχώριον γίγαντα δυσμενῶν μοχλὸν	
έχοντα, καὶ τὸν πρώτον εὐστόχω βολή	
μαιμώντα τύψαι ποιμνίων αλάστορα.	
οὖ δή ποτ' αἴθων πρῶτα καινίσει δόρυ	<b>5</b> 30
κίρκος θρασύς πήδημα λαιψηρον δικών,	
Γραικῶν ἄριστος, ῷ πάλαι τεύχει τάφους	
άκτη Δολόγκων εὐτρεπης κεκμηκότι,	
Μαζουσία προύχουσα χερσαίου κέρως.	
άλλ' έστι γάρ τις, έστι καὶ παρ' ἐλπίδα	535
ήμιν άρωγὸς πρευμενής ὁ Δρύμνιος	
δαίμων Προμανθεύς Αλθίοψ Γυράψιος,	
ος, τὸν πλανήτην 'Ορθάνην ὅταν δόμοις	

**520.** Athene was called Βοαρμία, "Ox-yoker" in Boeotia; cf. Βούδεια, 359 supr. The name Λογγᾶτις is derived from Λογγάνη, a city of Sicily; under this name she had a shrine at the river Helorus, south of Syracuse; cf. 1032. 'Ομολωίς was a title of Athene, as goddess of concord (ὅμολος = ὁμαλός in Aeolic), at Thebes, where one of the gates of the city bore the same name. With Βία cf. her titles 'Αλκίς in Macedonia, Σθενιάς in Troezen, and 'Αλαλκομενηίς in Boeotia. See also 1164.

**521.** The walks of Troy were built by Apollo and Poseidon for Laomedon, who defrauded them of their reward.  $\Delta \rho \dot{\nu} \mu \alpha s$  was a title of Apollo at Miletus, and  $\Pi \rho \dot{\nu} \phi \alpha \nu \tau \sigma s$  a title of Poseidon at Thurii. Cromna was a city of Macedonia where was a temple of Poseidon.

526. Hector was the champion on whom the Trojans relied (cf. 281). Canastraeum was a cape in Pallene in Thrace which was the home of the giants (cf. 127).

**529.** Hector was eager to smite any Greek who should land to spoil the Trojan flocks. Cf. βουκόλων ἀλάστορα (of the Nemean lion), Soph. Tr. 1092.

520 Yoker, Sicilian, Theban, Mighty One. For what that pair of craftsmen labouring, Apollo and Poseidon, Cromna's lord, Built for that perjured king would not endure One single day against those sacking wolves, 525 To stem their grievous devastating charge; Though mighty Thracian giant Trojan-born They have before their towers to bar the foe, One who is foremost with a well-aimed cast Eager to smite the waster of the flocks. Like flashing falcon, first shall blood that spear 530 A bold man leaping forth with nimble bound, Best of the Greeks, for whom long since when slain The Thracian strand is ready with a tomb, Mazusia, foreland of the Chersonese. Yet there is one, one e'en beyond our hopes, 535 To help, a gracious god called Drymnius, Promantheus, Aethiops, Gyrapsius, Who, when the roaming Luster they receive,

530. It was fated that the first Greek who leaped ashore at Troy should be slain, and Protesilaus met this doom. He was buried in Thrace. His name was connected by the ancients with  $\pi\rho\hat{\omega}\tau os -\lambda\alpha\hat{\omega}\nu$  or  $\pi\rho\hat{\omega}\tau os -\delta\lambda\lambda\nu\sigma\theta\alpha\iota$ .

532. πάλαι = ἐκ παλαιᾶς εἰμαρμένης (Holz.); cf. 1326.

533. The Dolonci (cf. 331) dwelt in the Thracian Chersonese, at the southern point of which was Cape Mazusia (or Mastusia), projecting into the sea like a breast ( $\mu\alpha\zeta\delta s$ ,  $\mu\alpha\sigma\tau\delta s$ ).

536. Zeus was called Δρύμνιος in Pamphylia, Προμανθεύς in Thurii,

Aiθίοψ and Fupáψιos in Chios.

538. Paris was entertained at a banquet in the house of Menelaus, at which were present the Tyndaridae and the Apharidae (546 n.), between whom a quarrel arose which Lycophron here attributes to the agency of Zeus, who aided the Trojans by causing the deaths of such valiant heroes before the Greek expedition to Troy. Paris is called  $O\rho\theta\dot{\alpha}\nu\eta s$  on account of his lust,  $O\rho\theta\dot{\alpha}\nu\eta s$  being a deity, akin to Priapus, honoured at Athens.

σίνιν καταρρακτῆρα δέξωνται πικρον	
οί δεινα καπόθεστα πείσεσθαί ποτε	540
μέλλοντες, έν τε δαιτί και θαλυσίοις	
λοιβαίσι μειλίσσωσιν αστεργή Κράγον,	
θήσει βαρὺν κολφὸν ἐν λέσχαις μέσον.	
καὶ πρώτα μὲν μύθοισιν ἀλλήλους ὁδὰξ	
βρύξουσι κηκασμοΐσιν ωκριωμένοι,	545
αὖθις δ' ἐναιχμάσουσιν αὐτανέψιοι,	
άνεψιαίς ὄρνισι χραισμῆσαι γάμους	
βιαιοκλωπας άρπαγάς τε συγγόνων	
χρήζοντες, άλφῆς τῆς ἀεδνώτου δίκην.	
ῆ πολλὰ δὴ βέλεμνα Κνηκιὼν πόρος	550
ριφέντα τόλμαις αλετων επόψεται,	
ἄπιστα καὶ θαμβητὰ Φηραίοις κλύειν.	
ό μέν, κρανεία κοΐλον οὐτάσας στύπος	
φηγοῦ κελαινῆς, διπτύχων ένα φθερεῖ,	
λέοντα ταύρω συμβαλόντα φύλοπιν.	555
ό δ' αὖ σιγύμνω πλεύρ' ἀναρρήξας βοὸς	
κλινεί πρός οὖδας. τῷ δὲ δευτέραν ἔπι	
πληγην άθαμβης κριός έγκορύψεται,	
άγαλμα πήλας των 'Αμυκλαίων τάφων.	
όμοῦ δὲ χαλκὸς καὶ κεραύνιοι βολαὶ	560

542. Zeus received the title Κράγος from a mountain (and city) of

that name in Lycia.

546. There were three brothers: (1) Tyndareus (putative father of Castor and Polydeuces, sons of Zeus); (2) Aphareus (father of Lynceus and Idas); (3) Leucippus (father of Phoebe and Ilaeira, who are the "cousins" spoken of here). The conflict arose from the Tyndaridae seizing the daughters of Leucippus, who had been betrothed to the Apharidae, without giving the usual gifts to the brides' father. When the Apharidae taunted them with this, they stole the oxen of the Apharidae and gave them as a gift to Leucippus. This led to an armed affray between the Apharidae and the Tyndaridae.

550. The Cnacion was a river near Sparta; πόρος may either mean

"ford" or have the general sense of "river."

That fell destroying eagle, in their homes,— They who one day must suffer woe and shame, -540 And when at feasts and festivals they pour Libations to soothe Cragus unappeased, Shall stir up bickerings fierce as they converse. At first with words they shall each other rend, Exasperated by abusive taunts, 545 And then those brothers' sons shall fight with spears To ward off from their cousins, gentle birds, Freebooting love and ravishment of kin, And thus avenge the brides seized without gifts. The ford of Cnacion shall then behold 550 Full many shafts with eagle spirit hurled: Pherae shall hear it with astonished doubt. The one, who pierces with his cornel-spear A black oak's hollow trunk, shall slay one twin, The lion who joined battle with a bull. 555 The other's lance shall tear the bullock's flanks And stretch it on the ground; against him springs The dauntless ram to butt a second foe, Hurling a stone torn from Amyclae's tombs. But bronze and thunderbolt combined shall crush 560

<sup>552.</sup> Pherae was a city on the borders of Laconia and Messenia.553. Idas slew Castor, who was in ambush in the hollow trunk of an oak. Cf. Pind. Nem. 10. 60 sqq.

<sup>555.</sup>  $\lambda$  έοντα = Castor;  $\tau \alpha \dot{\nu} \rho \omega = Idas$ .

**<sup>556.</sup>** Polydeuces slew Lynceus ( $\beta o \dot{o} s = \tau \alpha \dot{\nu} \rho o v$ ). The "bulls" (the Apharidae) ultimately prove stronger than the "lions" (the Tyndaridae): cf. 517

dae); cf. 517.

558. Idas (κριός), to avenge Lynceus, attacked and laid low Polydeuces, having already slain Castor. Amyclae, the scene of the conflict, was a city in Laconia. The tombstone which Idas hurled was from the grave of his father Aphareus.

<sup>560.</sup> One of the Apharidae, Lynceus, was slain by the spear of Polydeuces; the other, Idas, by the thunder of Zeus.

ταύρους καταξανούσιν, ων άλκην ένὸς ούδ' ὁ Σκιαστής 'Ορχιεύς Τιλφούσιος έμέμψατ', έν χάρμαισι βαιβώσας κέρας. καὶ τοὺς μὲν "Αιδης, τοὺς δ' 'Ολύμπιοι πλάκες παρ' ήμαρ αιεί δεξιώσονται ξένους. 565 φιλαυθομαίμους, αφθίτους τε καὶ φθιτούς. καὶ τῶν μὲν ἡμῖν εὐνάσει δαίμων δόρυ, βαιόν τι μηχαρ έν κακοίς δωρούμενος. άλλων δ' άπλατον χειρί κινήσει νέφος, ων ούδ' ὁ 'Ροιούς ίνις εὐνάζων μένος 570 σχήσει, τον έννέωρον έν νήσφ χρόνον μίμνειν ανώγων, θεσφάτοις πεπεισμένους, τροφήν δ' άμεμφη πασι τριπτύχους κόρας ζσκων παρέξειν, Κυνθίαν όσοι σκοπήν μίμνοντες ηλάσκουσιν Ίνωποῦ πέλας, 575 Αἰγύπτιον Τρίτωνος ἕλκοντες ποτόν. ας δη Πρόβλαστος έξεπαίδευσε θρασύς μυληφάτου χιλοΐο δαιδαλευτρίας, έρπιν τε βέζειν ήδ' άλοιφαΐον λίπος, οίνοτρόπους Ζάρηκος ἐκγόνους φάβας. 580 αί και στρατού βούπειναν όθνείων κυνών

**561.** Idas had fought with Apollo for the love of Marpessa (I. 9. 557 sqq.). Apollo got the title  $\Sigma \kappa \iota \alpha \sigma \tau \eta s$  from  $\Sigma \kappa \iota \alpha s$ , a place in Arcadia where was also a temple of "Αρτεμις  $\Sigma \kappa \iota \alpha \delta i \tau \iota s$ . He was worshipped under the name of ' $O\rho \chi \iota \epsilon \nu s$  in Laconia, and  $T\iota \lambda \phi o \nu \sigma \iota s$  in Boeotia, where was a temple of his at the foot of Mt. Tilphusium.

564.  $\tau o v s \mu \acute{e} v =$  the Apharidae, who remained in Hades;  $\tau o \dot{v} s \delta \acute{e} =$  the Tyndaridae, who dwelt day about in Hades and Olympus, Polydeuces sharing his immortality with his brother Castor, as, according to one legend, Polydeuces alone was a son of Zeus, while Castor was son of the mortal Tyndareus. Cf. 511 supr.

570. Anius, king of Delos, was a son of Apollo and Rhoeo, and he possessed prophetic powers. When the Greek fleet on its way to Troy arrived at Delos, Anius told to them the oracle that Troy should only be taken in the tenth year, and asked them to abide in Delos for

Those bulls, the sturdy might of one of whom Arcadia's, Sparta's, and Boeotia's god Despised not, when in strife he bent his bow. Those brothers Hades takes; Olympus' peaks Take these as daily alternating guests, 565 The mortal and immortal loving twins. Such heroes' spears a god shall lull for us. And grant a little succour in our woes; A monstrous cloud of others he shall rouse; Not even Rhoeo's son shall lull to rest 570Their force by bidding them stay nine years long Upon the isle, obeying oracles; Saying that his three daughters would supply Well-pleasing food to all who should abide Near the Inopus, roaming Delos' heights, 575 And drawing drink from the Egyptian Nile. Audacious Dionysus taught those maids Whose skill prepared the corn crushed in the quern How to produce the wine and fatty oil— Wine-making doves, grandchildren of Zarex. 580 They shall relieve the hunger ravenous

nine years, promising that his daughters would furnish them with food. 574. Mount Cynthus in Delos was sacred to Apollo.

575. The Delian river Inopus rose and sank at the same time as the Nile (Τρίτων, 119 n.), and was supposed to communicate with it.

577. Dionysus was grandsire of Rhoeo, mother of Anius;  $\Pi \rho \delta$ - $\beta \lambda \alpha \sigma \tau \sigma s$  was a title under which he received offerings at the cutting of the vineshoots. He taught the three maidens (Oeno, Spermo, and Elais) the art of producing wine, corn, and oil at pleasure.

580. Zarex (Zarax) became the husband of Rhoeo (570 n.) after she had borne Anius to the god Apollo. From him the promontory in Euboea (v. 373) took its name. His father Carystus gave its name to Carystus in Euboea.

581. Agamemnon, to relieve a famine in the Greek army, sent for these three maidens and brought them to Troy.

τρύχουσαν ἀλθανοῦσιν, ἐλθοῦσαί ποτε	
Σιθώνος είς θυγατρός εὐναστήριον.	
καὶ ταῦτα μὲν μίτοισι χαλκέων πάλαι	
στρόμβων ἐπιρροιζοῦσι γηραιαὶ κόραι.	585
Κηφεύς δε και Πράξανδρος, οὐ ναυκληρίας	
λαῶν ἄνακτες, ἀλλ' ἀνώνυμοι σποραί,	
πέμπτοι τέταρτοι γαΐαν ίξονται θεάς	
Γόλγων ἀνάσσης. ὧν ὁ μὲν Λάκων' ὅχλον	
ἄγων Θεράπνης, θάτερος δ' ἀπ' 'Ωλένου	590
Δύμης τε Βουραίοισιν ήγεμων στρατοῦ.	
Ο δ' 'Αργυρίππαν Δαυνίων παγκληρίαν	
παρ' Αὐσονίτην Φυλαμὸν δωμήσεται,	
πικράν έταίρων ἐπτερωμένην ἰδών	
ολωνόμικτον μοῖραν, οἳ θαλασσίαν	595
δίαιταν αλνέσουσι, πορκέων δίκην,	
κύκνοισιν ενδαλθέντες εὐγλήνοις δομήν.	
ράμφεσσι δ' ἀγρώσσοντες ἐλλόπων θορούς,	
φερώνυμον νησίδα νάσσονται πρόμου,	
θεατρομόρφω πρός κλίτει γεωλόφω	600
άγυιοπλαστήσαντες έμπέδοις τομαίς	
πυκνὰς καλιάς, Ζῆθον ἐκμιμούμενοι.	

583. Sithon, son of Ares and king of Thrace, was the father of Pallene and Rhoeteia. Rhoeteia was buried in the Troad, and a town and promontory there were called after her.

584. For the spinning of destinies by the Fates cf. 144.

586. Cepheus and Praxander were the last two of the five Greek heroes who came to Cyprus; see 447 supr. They came together, so either may be called  $\pi \epsilon \mu \pi \tau \sigma s$  or  $\tau \epsilon \tau \alpha \rho \tau \sigma s$ . Golgi was a city in Cyprus sacred to Aphrodite.

590. Praxander led to Troy the contingent from Therapne in Laconia, while Cepheus led those from Olenus, Bura, and Dyme,

cities of Achaea. Neither of them is mentioned in Homer

592. The Argive Diomedes (610 n.) came to Italy (Ausonia) and founded Argyrippa ('Argos  $l\pi\pi\iota\sigma\nu$ , Lat. Argi) in the Daunian land, i.e. Apulia. The Phylamus may be the Aufidus.

Wasting the host, those foreign hounds, one day
When they have come where Sithon's daughter sleeps.
And these dooms now for long the grey-haired maids
Hiss, as they spin their threads with wheels of
bronze.

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Then Cepheus and Praxander, who no ships

As chieftains led, a mere inglorious stock,
As fourth and fifth shall come unto the land
Of Golgi's queen divine; Laconians one
Brings from Therapne, while from Olenus
And Dyme leads the other Bura's troops.
Another hero Argyrippa founds
On banks of the Ausonian Phylamus
In Daunian realm, beholding the sad lot
Of his companions changed to feathered birds.
A sea-life they accept, like fisher-folk,
In form resembling swans with clear keen eyes;
And, catching with their bills the fishes' spawn,

On rising slope, shaped like a theatre,

They build in streets with excavations sure

Their compact nests, and Zethus' model take.

Dwell on an isle which bears their chieftain's name.

599. The island of Diomedeia lay N.W. of Mount Garganus in

601. Pliny. (N. H. 10. 44, 126) describes the methods of these birds: Scrobes excavare rostro, inde crate consternere et operire terra quae ante fuerit egesta; in his fetificare. Ciaceri explains τομαί as the excavations with their beaks; Holzinger takes it as pieces of wood or wattle-work of which the nests were formed; Reichard gives another possible meaning: viae ac vici urbium, se invicem scindentes.

602. Zethus and Amphion were the builders of the walls and gates

of Thebes.

<sup>594.</sup> The comrades of Diomedes were transformed into birds (herons, according to Aelian; cataractae, "swooping gulls," according to Pliny).

δμοῦ δ' ἐς ἄγραν κὰπὶ κοιταίαν νάπην νύκτωρ στελουνται, πάντα φεύγοντες Βροτών κάρβανον ὄχλον, έν δὲ Γραικίταις πέπλοις 605 κόλπων ιαυθμούς ήθάδας διζήμενοι. καὶ κρίμνα χειρών κάπιδόρπιον τρύφος μάζης σπάσονται, προσφιλές κυυζούμενοι, τῆς πρίν διαίτης τλήμονες μεμνημένοι. Τροιζηνίας δὲ τραῦμα φοιτάδος πλάνης 610 έσται κακών τε πημάτων παραίτιον, όταν θρασεία θουράς ολστρήση κύων πρός λέκτρα. τύμβος δ' αὐτὸν ἐκσώσει μόρου Όπλοσμίας, σφαγαΐσιν ηὐτρεπισμένον. κολοσσοβάμων δ' έν πτυχαΐσιν Αυσόνων 615 σταθείς, ἐρείσει κῶλα χερμάδων ἔπι τοῦ τειχοποιοῦ γαπέδων 'Αμοιβέως, τον έρματίτην νηος έκβαλων πέτρον. κρίσει δ' 'Αλαίνου τοῦ κασιγνήτου σφαλείς, εὐχὰς ἀρούραις ἀμφ' ἐτητύμους βαλεῖ, 620 Δηούς ἀνείναι μήποτ' ὅμπνιον στάχυν, γύας τιθαιβώσσοντος αρδηθμώ Διός, ην μή τις αὐτοῦ ρίζαν Αἰτωλῶν σπάσας,

605. The birds were said to attack with their beaks any barbarian who came near them, while they were friendly towards the Greeks.

610. There was a cult of Aphrodite at Troezen in Argolis. Diomedes wounded Aphrodite while she was defending Aeneas (Il. 5. 336), and the goddess took vengeance on him by making his wife Aegialeia an adulteress. One of her paramours was Cometes. When Diomedes returned from Troy to Argos, Aegialeia and Cometes tried to slav him, but he escaped to the altar of Hera, and then fled with his comrades to Apulia.

**612.** κύων: Aegialeia.

613.  $\tau \psi \mu \beta os = \beta \omega \mu os$ , cf. 313. Hera was worshipped in Elis under

the title of 'Oπλοσμία; cf. 858.

615. Diomedes brought away stones from the walls of Troy as ballast for his ships. These stones he landed in Apulia, and piled

Together go they to the hunt: at night Together to the glades to rest; they shun Barbarian strangers, yet within the breasts 605 Of Grecian robes their wonted slumber seek. They swallow barley given by the hand And broken bread at meals, with friendly coo, Sadly remembering their former life. His wounding Troezen's goddess is part cause 610 Of his wide wanderings and his grievous woes, When once that bold and wanton bitch shall rage With lust for men. Him Hera's altar saves From grip of death when ready for the knife. Like a Colossus in Ausonian vale 615 He stands and stays his foot on blocks removed From ground where once Poseidon built his walls— The ballast-stones he landed from his ship. Robbed by Alaenus, judge and brother too, Sooth curses on the fields he shall invoke 620 Never to yield Demeter's rich corn crop, Though Zeus should foster with his rain the tilth, If no Aetolian, from his own stock sprung,

them up so that from the top he could survey the Daunian land, his future possession. When he had conquered Daunia, he used these stones as  $\sigma \tau \hat{\eta} \lambda a \iota$  to mark the limits of his sway.

617. Poseidon had the title 'Αμοιβεύς at Delphi for having given Delphi to Apollo in exchange for Calaureia. Poseidon helped Apollo

to build the walls of Troy; cf. 393, 521.

619. Diomedes aided Daunus, king of Daunia (Apulia), in his war against the Messapians, but the victorious Daunus would give Diomedes no share of the land, though he had promised him such, but merely the booty taken in the war. Alaenus (natural brother of Diomedes, and lover of Daunus' daughter Euippe) was appointed arbitrator and upheld Daunus. Then Diomedes cursed the land.

621. Δηώ was a hypocoristic form for Δημήτηρ.

623. Diomedes was of Aetolian stock, inasmuch as his grandfather Oeneus was ruler of Calydon.

χέρσον λαχήνη, βουσίν αὔλακας τεμών.	
στήλαις δ' ακινήτοισιν όχμασει πέδον,	625
ας ούτις ανδρων εκ βίας καυχήσεται	
μετοχλίσας όλίζον. ή γαρ απτέρως	
αὐταὶ παλιμπόρευτον "ξονται βάσιν,	
ανδηρ' απέζοις "χνεσιν δατούμεναι.	
θεὸς δὲ πολλοῖς αἰπὺς αὐδηθήσεται,	630
<b>ὅσοι παρ' Ἰοῦς γρῶνον οἰκοῦνται πέδον,</b>	
δράκοντα τὸν φθείραντα Φαίακας κτανών.	
Οί δ' ἀμφικλύστους χοιράδας Γυμνησίας	
σισυρνοδύται καρκίνοι πεπλωκότες	
ἄχλαινον ἀμπρεύσουσι νήλιποι βίον,	635
τριπλαίς δικώλοις σφενδόναις ώπλισμένοι.	
ών αί τεκοῦσαι τὴν έκηβόλον τέχνην	
άδορπα παιδεύσουσι νηπίους γονάς.	
ου γάρ τις αυτων ψίσεται πύρνον γνάθω,	
πρὶν ἂν κρατήση ναστὸν εὐστόχω λίθω,	640
ύπὲο τράφηκος σῆμα κείμενον σκοποῦ.	
καὶ τοὶ μὲν ἀκτὰς ἐμβατήσονται λεπρὰς	
' 1βηροβοσκοὺς ἄγχι Ταρτησοῦ πύλης,	
"Αρνης παλαιᾶς γέννα, Τεμμίκων πρόμοι,	
Γραΐαν ποθοῦντες καὶ Λεοντάρνης πάγους,	645
Σκῶλόν τε καὶ Τέγυραν 'Ογχηστοῦ θ' ἔδος,	
καὶ χεῦμα Θερμώδοντος Ύψάρνου θ' ὕδωρ.	

626. After the death of Diomedes, Daunus cast his boundary-stones, or pillars, into the sea, but they returned miraculously to their former

position.

631. Ἰοῦς γρῶνον πέδον is the Ionian sea, which was called after Io, who, in the form of a heifer, cast herself into it; cf. Aesch. Pr. 840. Lycophron probably includes the Adriatic, referring to the cult of Diomedes on the eastern coast of Italy washed by the two seas.

632. Diomedes was said to have slain in Phaeacia (i.e. Corcyra) the dragon which had guarded the golden fleece at Colchis. When Jason and Medea fled with the fleece to Corcyra, the dragon pursued them

thither.

**633**. The Boeotians returning from Troy were driven to the Balearic isles, the old name of which was Γυμνήσιαι, a name variously explained,

Should dig the land and furrows cut with kine. By unmoved pillars he shall hold the plain, 625 And none shall ever boast that he by force Displaced them but a little, for with speed They shall come back again the way they went, Scoring the sea-banks with their footless steps. A god sublime shall many folk him call, 630 All who by Io's hollow basin dwell,-He slew the dragon who Phaeacia spoiled. And others, fleece-clad crabs, shall reach by sea The wave-washed Balearic reefs, and there Drag out their lives with neither cloaks nor shoes, 635 Armed with three slings of double thong apiece. The skilful use of these, to shoot afar, The mothers teach their children ere they eat; For none of them may taste the wheaten bread Before with well-aimed stone he wins the piece 640 When placed upon a post that serves as mark. And these men shall set foot on rugged cliffs That rear Iberians, near Tartesus' gate; Sprung from old Arne they, Boeotian chiefs, Yearning for Graea, Leontarne's hills, 645 Scolus, Tegyra, and Onchestus' site, Thermodon's torrent, and Hypsarnus' streams.

e.g. from the inhabitants going naked in summer, or from their being lightly-armed (γυμνητες), using only slings. The name Βαλιαρείς was commonly connected with βάλλειν, the people being famous as slingers.

634. καρκίκοι seems to refer to the tortuous, crab-like course of the Boeotian ships driven about by storms. In σισυρνοδῦται Holzinger sees an allusion to Αρνη (ἀρνός, "a lamb") in 644.

642. The Boeotians found in the Balearic isles an indigenous folk of the Iberian race. "Tartessus' gate" is the Pillars of Hercules (i.e. the promontories between which is the Strait of Gibraltar), to the west of which lay the district of Tartessus (Tarshish) in Spain.

644-647. All the places mentioned here were in Boeotia. Τεμμίκων:

786n.

Τούς δ' άμφὶ Σύρτιν καὶ Λιβυστικάς πλάκας. στενήν τε πορθμού συνδρομήν Τυρσηνικού, καὶ μιξόθηρος ναυτιλοφθόρους σκοπάς, 650 της ποίν θανούσης έκ χερών Μηκιστέως τοῦ στερφοπέπλου Σκαπανέως Βοαγίδα, άρπυιογούνων κλώμακάς τ' αηδόνων πλαγχθέντας, ωμόσιτα δαιταλωμένους, πρόπαντας "Αιδης πανδοκεύς άγρεύσεται, 655 λώβαισι παντοίαισιν έσπαραγμένους, ένα φθαρέντων ἄγγελον λιπών φίλων, δελφινόσημον, κλώπα Φοινίκης θεάς. δς όψεται μέν τοῦ μονογλήνου στέγας χάρωνος, οίνης τῷ κρεωφάγω σκύφον 660 χεροί προτείνων, τουπιδόρπιον ποτόν. έπόψεται δὲ λείψανον τοξευμάτων

'648. Cassandra proceeds to describe the adventures and sufferings of Odysseus and his comrades on their homeward voyage. The home of the Lotophagi (Od. 9. 83 sqq.) was localized on the northern coast of Africa either in the Syrtis Major (now Gulf of Sidra), or Syrtis Minor (now Gulf of Cabes).

649. The Straits of Messina (between Italy and Sicily) divided the Tyrrhenian from the Ionian Sea. There Scylla had her home; cf. 44.

650. The monstrous form of Scylla is described in Od. 12. 73 sqq. The later legends represented her as a beauteous maiden beloved by the sea-god Glaucus and metamorphosed by Circe through jealousy. She preserved the form of a maiden to the middle of her body, round which sprang the heads of monstrous dogs, while the lower part of her body took the form of two great fish. For her destruction of sailors cf. Od. 12. 98 sqq.; she devoured six of Odysseus' comrades (ib. 245 sqq.).

651. Scylla was slain by Heracles and restored to life by her father Phorcys; see 47 supr. Heracles was called Μηκιστεύs from Mecistus, a city in Elis, where he had a temple. The Schol. says that he got the name Σκαπανεύs from digging away the dung of the Augeian stables; others explain it of his undermining the walls of Troy (cf. 1348). The title Βοαγίδης refers to his driving off the oxen of

Geryon. He wore the hide of the Nemean lion slain by him.

653. The Sirens endeavoured to entice Odysseus to his doom with their alluring strains (Od. 12. 184 sqq.). They were described in later

Those driven to Syrtis and to Libya's coasts, And to the straits of the Tyrrhenian sea, The sailor-slaving watch-rock of that beast, 650 Half-woman, once destroyed by Heracles, That Digger, Cattle-thief, in lion's hide, And to the cliffs, haunts of the nightingales The Harpy-limbed,—those, torn and eaten raw, Hades, as host, shall one and all receive 655 Mangled by every kind of outrage foul; Just one he spares to bring news of dead friends, That Pallas-thief, with dolphin as his crest. 'Tis he shall see that one-eyed lion's cave. And to the flesh-devourer shall reach forth 660 The cup of wine, a draught at evening-meal. He, too, shall see the few spared by the shafts

legends as having the head of a maiden with the body (or wings) and feet of a bird. The winged Harpies also combined the forms of maidens and birds.

654. If δαιταλωμένουs is =  $\dot{\epsilon}\sigma\theta\iota o\mu \dot{\epsilon}\nu o\nu s$ , then, as Holzinger points out, the phrase  $\dot{\omega}\mu$ . δαιτ. can strictly only refer to those of Odysseus' comrades who were devoured by Scylla (as those eaten by the Laestrygones and the Cyclops, Od. 10. 116, 9. 308–311, were cooked), and Lycophron is generalizing inaccurately. Ciaceri adopts Canter's crudeliter laniatos, taking δαιτ. to mean "cut to pieces," "mangled," referring to the violent ends of all the comrades of Odysseus who perished when returning from Troy. An alternative rendering in the Schol. is eating the raw flesh of the fish (Od. 12. 331) and the oxen of the Sun, but these latter were cooked (ib. 363 sqq.), and so, we may presume, were the fish.

657. Odysseus alone reached home to tell of the death of his comrades.

658. Odysseus had the dolphin as a device on his shield, a dolphin having saved his infant son Telemachus, who had fallen into the sea. He and Diomedes stole the Palladium (363 n.) from Troy. Athene was worshipped as  $\Phi o \iota \nu i \kappa \eta$   $\theta \epsilon \dot{\alpha}$  at Corinth.

659. Odysseus gave to the one-eyed Polyphemus a draught of wine

after his meal of human flesh (Od. 9. 347).

662. In Sicily Odysseus found only a few of the Laestrygones surviving from the slaughter which Heracles had made when they

τοῦ Κηραμύντου Πευκέως Παλαίμονος.	
οῦ πάντα θρανύξαντες εὔτορνα σκάφη,	
σχοίνω κακήν τρήσουσι κεστρέων ἄγρην.	665
άλλος δ' ἐπ' ἄλλφ μόχθος ἄθλιος μενεῖ,	
τοῦ πρόσθεν αἰεὶ πλεῖον ἐξωλέστερος.	
ποία Χάρυβδις οὐχὶ δαίσεται νεκρῶν ;	
ποία δ' 'Ερινὺς μιξο <b>πά</b> ρθενος κύων ;	
. τίς οὐκ ἀηδών στεῖρα Κενταυροκτόνος	670
Αἰτωλὶς ἢ Κουρῆτις αἰόλ φ μέλει	
πείσει τακῆναι σάρκας ἀκμήνους βορᾶς ;	
ποίαν δὲ θηρόπλαστον οὐκ ἐσόψεται	
δράκαιναν, ἐγκυκῶσαν ἀλφίτω θρόνα,	
καὶ κῆρα κνωπόμορφον; οἱ δὲ δύσμοροι	675
στένοντες ἄτας ἐν συφοῖσι φορβάδες	
γίγαρτα χιλῷ συμμεμιγμένα τουγὸς	
καὶ στέμφυλα βούξουσιν. ἀλλά νιν βλάβης	
μωλυς σαώσει ρίζα καὶ Κτάρος φανείς	
Νωνακριάτης Τρικέφαλος Φαιδοός θεός.	680

tried to rob him of the oxen of Geryon.  $K\eta\rho\alpha\mu\nu\nu\eta$ s is a synonym of Aλεξίκακοs, a title of Heracles at Athens and Ephesus. He was called Πευκεύs in Iberia (Schol.). This title is very obscure. Canter says: Taedifer appellatur a taedis quibus ad certamina, in quibus excellebat Hercules, utebantur. Ciaceri explains it of Heracles being consumed like a torch by the robe steeped in the blood of Nessus. In Roscher's Lex. Myth. it is connected with the pine-tree ( $\pi\epsilon\nu\kappa\eta$ ) planted at Geryon's grave in Cadiz, as Heracles may have buried him, just as afterwards he dedicated a shrine to him in Sicily. Heracles wrestled with Zeus at Olympia (41 supr.). One of his most famous victories as a wrestler was over the river-god Achelous in Aetolia.

664. The Laestrygones broke the ships and strung the comrades of Odysseus like fish on a line and carried them off to devour them (Od.

10. 124).

668. For Charybdis (who was localized opposite to Scylla in the Straits of Messina) cf. Od. 12. 104, 235 sqq., 430 sqq.

669. The Erinys is Scylla; see on 650.

670. The legend was that the Centaurs, when they fled from Thessaly, pursued by Heracles, came to the isle of the Sirens and

Of Peuceus, the Fate-fending, Wrestling god
From those who shiver all the bellied ships
And string on lines their sorry catch of fish. 665
One trouble dire upon another waits,
Each much more baneful than the one before:
For what Charybdis shall not eat his dead?
Or what Erinys, blend of maid and hound?
What Centaur-slaying barren nightingale, 670
Aetolian or Curetan, with rich lay
Shall not persuade their unfed flesh to waste?
And what she-dragon shall he not behold,
Who moulds wild beasts, who blends with barley drugs
And doom of monstrous forms? The hapless men, 675
Now swine, their lot lamenting in their sties,
Shall have for food the grape-stones mixed with grass
And skins of grapes. Him from all harm shall save
The root called moly and the God of Gain,
Arcadian, Triple-headed, Bright-faced god. 680

fascinated by their song perished there. The Sirens were παρθένοι and so στείραι. See also on 653.

671. The Sirens were daughters of the Achelous, which flows through

Aetolia and Acarnania. The Curetes dwelt in Acarnania.

672. Those who were entranced by the song of the Sirens forgot all else and allowed themselves to die of hunger.

673. For Circe's transformation of the comrades of Odysseus into swine see Od. 10. 233 sqq. 677.  $\chi \iota \lambda \hat{\varphi}$  may mean "grain" (cf. 578).

679. Hermes gave to Odysseus the plant called μῶλυ (Od. 10. 304), which saved him from the wiles of Circe. Hermes is called Κτάρος (κτασθαι, κτέαρ) = Κερδώος (208). He was the god of commerce. Some take  $K\tau \acute{a}\rho os$  as =  $\psi \nu \chi o\pi o\mu\pi \acute{o}s$ , connecting it with  $\kappa\tau \acute{e}\rho \epsilon a$ , κτερίζειν.

680. Nonacria was a city in Arcadia, not far from Mount Cyllene, associated with the worship of Hermes. Busts of Hermes were placed at cross-roads with as many heads as there were roads; hence he was called τρικέφαλος and τετρακέφαλος. According to the Schol. Φαιδρός is = Λευκός, a title which Hermes had in Boeotia, apparently denoting

the fair youthful beauty of the god.

ήξει δ' έρεμνον είς αλήπεδον φθιτών, καὶ νεκρόμαντιν πέμπελον διζήσεται ανδρών γυναικών είδότα ξυνουσίας. ψυχαίσι θερμον αίμα προσράνας βύθρω, καὶ φασγάνου πρόβλημα, νερτέροις φόβον, 685 πήλας ἀκούσει κείθι πεμφίδων ὅπα λεπτήν, αμαυράς μάστακος προσφθέγμασιν. όθεν Γιγάντων νησος ή μετάφοενον θλάσασα καὶ Τυφωνος ἀγρίου δέμας φλογμώ ζέουσα δέξεται μονόστολον, 690 έν ή πιθήκων πάλμυς άφθίτων γένος δύσμορφον είς κηκασμον ώκισεν τόσων, οξ μώλον ωρόθυναν έκγόνοις Κρόνου. Βαίου δ' αμείψας τοῦ κυβερνήτου τάφον, καὶ Κιμμέρων ἔπαυλα κάχερουσίαν 695 ρόχθοισι κυμαίνουσαν οιδματος χύσιν, "Οσσαν τε καὶ λέοντος ἀτραποὺς βοῶν χωστάς, 'Οβριμοῦς τ' ἄλσος οὐδαίας Κόρης, Πυριφλεγές τε ρείθρου, ένθα δύσβατος

681. Following the advice of Circe (Od. 10. 490) Odysseus went to the underworld to consult Teiresias. Zeus gave Teiresias length of days to compensate him for his blindness; he lived through seven

(or nine) generations of men.

683. The legend was that Teiresias saw two snakes on Mount Cyllene in the act of coition. He smote one of them with his staff, and was transformed into a woman. Seven years later he saw the same pair of snakes in the same act, and on the advice of Apollo smote one of them, and was changed back into a man. Afterwards he decided a dispute between Zeus and Hera as to the relative joys of a man and woman in wedlock.

684. The ritual which Odysseus observed is described in Od. 11.

25 sqq.
688. The isle of Pithecusa (mod. Ischia) lay off Campania. The giants defeated by Zeus were, according to one tradition, buried under this volcanic isle, and, as an added insult, Zeus set apes (πίθηκοι) to dwell upon it.

Then comes he to the dark plains of the dead, And seeks that age-worn seer among the shades. Who knew the joys of man's and woman's love. Sprinkling the souls with warm blood in the trench, Waving his guarding sword, the phantoms' dread, 685 There shall he hear the thin small voice of ghosts As they address him with their faded mouths. Next after that, the island, which crushed down The Giants' backs and savage Typhon's form, Glowing with flame receives his lonely craft, 690 Where the immortals' lord once set to dwell That ill-shaped tribe of monkeys in his scorn For those who strife provoked with Cronos' sons. To Baius' grave, the steersman's, goes he then, To haunts Cimmerian, and to Acheron's mere 695 Which surges with the ocean's heaving waves. To Ossa and the cow-paths lion-built, And to the grove of Hades' Raging Maid, To Pyriphlegethon where trackless peak

694. Baius, the steersman of Odysseus, was buried at Baiae.

695. In Od. 11. 14 sqq. the Cimmerians dwell in the extreme west near the entrance to Hades. Later they were localized near Cumae, where was an entrance to Hades. The  $A\chi\epsilon\rho\sigma\nu\sigma'(\alpha\lambda'\mu\nu\eta)$  was a small lake or sea-water pool in Campania, separated from the sea by a bar of sand. In stormy weather the waves would beat into it.

697. Ossa was a hill near Cumae. Heracles, passing by here with the oxen of Geryon, built as a path for them the embankment by

which the Lucrine lake was cut off from the sea.

698. The wood round Lake Avernus was sacred to Persephone; cf. the ἄλσεα Περσεφονείης at the entrance to the underworld, Od. 10. 509. The name Οβριμώ (and Βριμώ 1176 infr.) according to Tzetzes was given to Persephone, ὅτι τῷ Ἑρμῆ βιάζοντι αὐτὴν ἐν κυνηγεσίῳ ἐνεβριμήσατο (infremuit) καὶ οὕτως ἐκεῖνος ἐπαύθη τοῦ ἐγχειρήματος.

699. Strabo (5. 244) mentions the belief that the Pyriphlegethon (Od. 10. 513) flowed near the 'Αχερουσία λίμνη (695 n.), where were

hot springs.

τείνει πρός αίθραν κράτα Πολυδέγμων λόφος, 700 έξ οὖ τὰ πάντα γύτλα καὶ πᾶσαι μυγῶν πηγαί κατ' Αὐσονῖτιν Ελκονται χθόνα, λιπών δὲ Ληθαιώνος ύψηλὸν κλέτας, λίμνην τ' "Αορνον αμφιτορνωτήν βρόχω, καὶ γεύμα Κωκυτοίο λαβρωθέν σκότω, 705 Στυγός κελαινής νασμόν, ένθα Τερμιεύς δοκωμότους έτευξεν αφθίτοις έδρας, λοιβης ἀφύσσων χρυσέαις πέλλαις γάνος, μέλλων Γίγαντας κάπὶ Τιτηνας πεοάν, θήσει Δαείρα καὶ ξυνευνέτη δάνος, 710 πήληκα κόρση κίονος προσάρμοσας. κτενεί δὲ κούρας Τηθύος παιδὸς τριπλάς, οίμας μελωδού μητρός έκμεμανμένας, αὐτοκτόνοις ριφαίσιν έξ ἄκρας σκοπῆς Τυρσηνικόν πρός κύμα δυπτούσας πτεροίς 715 όπου λινεργής κλώσις έλκύσει πικρά.

700. Lycophron is referring to the Apennines, the great watershed of Italy. Πολυδέγμων was also a name of Hades, so that the Apennines are brought by Lycophron into connexion with the underworld.

703. Ληθαιών is probably Mount Vesuvius. The name suggests the

river Λήθη and Λήθης πεδίον in Hades.

704. Lake Avernus was surrounded by steep and woody hills. Its deadly exhalations killed the birds flying over it, hence its name 'Aoρνοs (ὄρνις).

705. Lycophron means that down in the gloomy depths of Lake Avernus the subterranean Cocytus rushes along. For the Cocytus and

Styx, rivers of Hades, cf. Od. 10. 514.

706. Zeus is called Τερμιεύς as ἀρχὴ καὶ τέρμα πάντων.

707. The oath by the Styx was the most sacred with the gods. Hesiod (Th. 784 sqq.) describes how Zeus sent Iris to bring from afar in a golden ewer the water of the Styx for the gods to swear by. Zeus gave this honour to Styx, daughter of Oceanus, for having been the first to side with him in his conflict with the Titans. According to Lycophron here Zeus, to set an example to the other gods of swearing by the Styx, poured out a libation of its waters. I adopt Scheer's  $\lambda o\iota \beta \hat{\eta} s \ldots \gamma \acute{a} \nu os$ , "water of libation." The only way to construe the reading of the MSS.  $\lambda o\iota \beta \acute{a} s$   $\tau$ ' is to remove the comma after  $\xi \delta \rho as$  and

Mount Polydegmon raises to the sky, 700 From whose recesses every stream and spring Through the Ausonian country are drawn down. He leaves Lethaeon's lofty cliffs behind, And Lake Aornus ringed with circling heights, And the Cocytus boiling in dark depths, 705 A branch of the black Styx, where Termieus A place of oaths established for the gods, And in gold cups from it libations drew, 'Gainst Giants and 'gainst Titans setting forth. Then to Daeira and her spouse his casque, 710 Set on a pillar's top, he shall devote. Of Tethys' son three daughters he shall slay, Who reproduced their songstress-mother's lays. From lofty watch-rock they shall leap to death, And with their wings dive deep in Tuscan waves, 715 Where Clotho draws them with her cruel thread.

put it after  $\tau'$ . Holzinger keeps  $\lambda o \iota \beta a \dot{s}$  (omitting  $\tau'$ ) and takes  $\gamma a \dot{v} o \dot{s}$ 

in app. with it.

710. After his visit to the shades Odysseus made offerings to Persephone and her husband Hades (Pluto). The title  $\Delta \acute{\alpha} \epsilon \iota \rho \alpha$  referred to the use of the torch  $(\delta \hat{\alpha} s)$  in the worship of Demeter and

Persephone.

712. The Sirens (Parthenope, Leucosia, and Ligeia) were daughters of the Achelous, which, like all rivers, was the offspring of Oceanus and Tethys. They were fated to die when any mariner who heard their song could pass by without harm, and when Odysseus, following the counsel of Circe, did so (Od. 12. 165 sqq.), they threw themselves into the sea. Thus Odysseus caused their death. In Hom. the Sirens are only two in number.

713. The mother of the Sirens was one of the Muses; some say

Melpomene, others Terpsichore or Calliope.

714. In Hom, the Sirens dwell on an island between Aeaea and Scylla. Later legends localized them on the rocky islets (Σειρηνοῦσσαι νῆσοι) near Sorrento. The adjoining promontory in Campania was also called Σειρηνουσσῶν ἀκρωτήριον.

715.  $\pi \tau \epsilon \rho o \hat{i} s$ : see on 653.

716. For the web of Fate cf. 144, 585.

την μεν Φαλήρου τύρσις εκβεβρασμένην	
Γλάνις τε ρείθροις δέξεται τέγγων χθόνα.	
οὖ σῆμα δωμήσαντες ἔγχωροι κόρης	
λοιβαίσι καὶ θύσθλοισι Παρθενόπην βοών	720
έτεια κυδανούσιν οἰωνὸν θεάν.	
άκτην δε την προύχουσαν είς Ένιπέως	
Λευκωσία ριφείσα, την ἐπώνυμον	
πέτραν ὀχήσει δαρόν, ἔνθα λάβρος *Ις	
γείτων θ' ὁ Λᾶρις εξερεύγονται ποτά.	725
Λίγεια δ' είς Τέρειναν εκναυσθλώσεται,	
κλύδωνα χελλύσσουσα. την δε ναυβάται	
κρόκαισι ταρχύσουσιν έν παρακτίαις,	
'Ωκινάρου δίναισιν άγχιτέρμονα.	
λούσει δε σημα βούκερως νασμοίς άρης	730
ορνιθόπαιδος ίσμα φοιβάζων ποτοίς.	
πρώτη δὲ καί ποτ' αὖθι συγγόνων θεᾶ	
κραίνων άπάσης Μόψοπος ναυαρχίας	
πλωτῆρσι λαμπαδοῦχον ἐντυνεῖ δρόμον,	
χρησμοίς πιθήσας. ὅν ποτ' αὐξήσει λεώς	735
Νεαπολιτών, οξ παρ' ἄκλυστον σκέπας	

717. Parthenope was cast up near the city of Phalerum (Palaeopolis), which was called Parthenope after her. It was close to the later Neapolis (Naples), which we also find called Parthenope. Some identify the founder of Phalerum with the Argonaut Phalerus, an Athenian from whom the port of Phalerum, near Athens, took its name. The Frápis is the river Clanius (Virg. G. 2. 225).

722. ' $E_{\nu l\pi\epsilon\dot{\nu}s}$  was a river-god in Thessaly beloved by Tyro. Poseidon took the form of Enipeus and begot by Tyro twin sons, Pelias and Neleus; see Od. 11. 235 sqq. Leucosia was cast upon the promontory (mod. Cape Licosa) between Poseidonia (Paestum) and Elea (Velia) in Lucania. It was separated by a narrow channel from the islet of Leucosia, which lay close to the mouths of the rivers Is and Laris.

726. Ligeia was washed up on an islet (afterwards called from her) off the city of Tereina on the coast of Bruttium. The sailors who found her apparently brought her body to the mainland opposite and buried it.

735

One, cast up by the sea, Phalerus' burg And Glanis' streams which bathe the land shall take. The dwellers there shall build the maiden's tomb. And with libations and slain kine each year 720 Honour the goddess, winged Parthenope. Upon Poseidon's foreland jutting out Leucosia is thrown, and long shall rest On reef that bears her name, where raging Is And neighbouring Laris belch their waters forth. 725 Unto Tereina shall Ligeia drift, Spewing the sea-surge. Her some sailing-folk Shall bury in the shingle on the beach, Close to the eddies of Ocinarus. The mighty bull-horned stream shall wash her 730 grave, His waters cleansing where the bird-child rests. To the first goddess of these sisters three The ruler of the whole Mopsopian fleet Shall found a torch-race for his mariners

730. ἀρής here = ἰσχυρός (Schol.); cf.  $\mathcal{U}$ . 5. 31, where one reading is  ${}^{3}Aρες$  ἀρές (ἀρής being the positive of ἀρείων, ἄριστος). Rivers were commonly represented in ancient times as having the form of bulls, either from the horn-like branchings of a river or from its violence or its roaring; cf. 1407.

At heaven's behest. This shall be magnified

By people of Neapolis who dwell

731. Lycophron, as Ciaceri suggests, probably imagines a monument of stone depicting the figure of the bird-child (653 n.) Ligeia. Holzinger thinks the meaning is "the bird-mother's town," referring not to Ligeia but to Tereina, whose descendants were turned into birds.

733. Diotimus, an Athenian commander in the Peloponnesian war (Thuc. 1. 45), founded the torch-race in honour of Parthenope, when he put into the port of Naples.  $M \dot{\phi} \psi \sigma \pi \sigma s$  is gen. of  $M \dot{\phi} \psi \sigma \psi$ , the name of an old Athenian king; cf. 1340.

δομων Μισηνού στύφλα νάσσονται κλίτη. βύκτας δ' εν ασκώ συγκατακλείσας βούς παλινστροβήτοις πημοναίς αλώμενος, κεραυνίη μάστιγι συμφλεγθήσεται 740 καύηξ, ξοινού προσκαθήμενος κλάδω. ώς μή καταβρόξη νιν έν ρόχθοις κλύδων, Χάρυβδιν εκφυσώσαν έλκύσας βυθώ. βαιον δε τερφθείς τοις 'Ατλαντίδος γάμοις αναυλόχητον αυτοκάβδαλον σκάφος 745 βηναι ταλάσσει, καὶ κυβερνησαι τάλας αὐτουργότευκτον βάριν εἰς μέσην τρόπιν εἰκαῖα γόμφοις προστεταργανωμένην. ής οξα τυτθον 'Αμφίβαιος έκβράσας της κηρύλου δάμαρτος απτηνα σπόρον 750 αὐταῖς μεσόδμαις καὶ σὺν ἰκρίοις βαλεῖ προς κυμα δύπτην έμπεπλεγμένον κάλοις. πόντου δ' ἄυπνος ἐνσαρούμενος μυχοῖς, αστώ σύνοικος Θρηκίας 'Ανθηδόνος έσται. παρ' ἄλλου δ' ἄλλος ώς πεύκης κλάδον 755

738. Cf. Od. 10. 19 sqq., where Aeolus gives to Odysseus the winds enclosed in an ox-hide bag. When Odysseus' ship was in sight of Ithaca, his comrades opened the bag, and he was driven back by adverse winds to the isle of Aeolus.

740. Zeus sent his thunderbolts against the ship to avenge the Sun, whose oxen had been devoured by the comrades of Odysseus (Od. 12. 387, 415). For the use of  $\mu \dot{\alpha} \sigma \tau \iota \xi$  cf. 436 n.

741. Odysseus clinging to the fig-tree to escape being sucked down by the whirlpool of Charybdis is described in *Od.* 12. 432 sqq.

744. With Calypso, daughter of Atlas, Odysseus remained seven years (Od. 7. 259), but only for a brief time was he happy with her

(Od. 5. 152 sqq.).

745. Holzinger defends ἀναυλόχητον as meaning that the craft was too crazy ever to reach any haven. Most editors adopt Scheer's ἀναυτόχητον (= ὑπὸ ναυτῶν οὐκ ὀχούμενον), meaning that Odysseus had no fellow-mariners.

747. For the building of Odysseus' raft to bear him away from Calypso's isle see Od. 5. 247 sqq.

On rough cliffs by Misenum's haven calm. The winds he closes in an ox-hide bag, And, tossed about by woes which drive him back. Shall be enwrapped in flame of lightning-scourge, 740 A seagull perching on a wild-fig's branch, Lest in its eddies the surge swallow him, While down it sucks Charybdis' waterspout. After brief joy, to Atlas' daughter wed, He shall embark, audacious man, on skiff 745 That makes no harbour, rudely improvised. Himself, poor wretch, shall steer his work, a raft At random bolted to a centre keel. From this Poseidon casts him forth, as though Some unfledged offspring of a halcyon, 750 And hurls him with the mast-box and the deck Into the waves, a diver rope-enmeshed. He, sleepless, swept about in ocean's gulfs, Shall lodge with Anthedonian sprung from Thrace. Gale after gale, like to a pine-tree's bark,

749. Poseidon was worshipped at Cyrene as 'Aμφίβαιος, a title which may be connected with yainoxos. His angry billows cast

Odysseus into the sea, Od. 5. 315. 751. Merry and Riddell (Od. App. 1) explain  $\mu \epsilon \sigma \delta \delta \mu \eta$  as the box in which the mast was stepped, and inpia as the deck, regarding the  $\sigma_{\chi} \in \delta(\alpha)$  of Odysseus as more or less like the ordinary ship of the time; Brieger, however, regards it as a flat-bottomed box. In our passage Holzinger distinguishes the raft of balks (μεσόδμαι) fastened together and the box-like wooden structure resembling a fore-deck ("κρια) which was placed upon it; he thinks that Lycophron designates the latter by Bapis, the former by Tpómis.

752. Odysseus got entangled with the ropes of the sails.

754. The "citizen of Anthedon" is the sea-god Glaucus, who was originally a fisherman from Anthedon in Boeotia, which was colonized

by the Thracians.

755. The Schol. takes πεύκης κλάδον in apposition with φελλόν, citing Leonidas to show that the φελλοί for buoying nets were got from pine-trees. κλάδος seems to bear the meaning "tree-bark" in 830 infr.

βύκτης στροβήσει φελλον ένθρωσκων πνοαίς. μόλις δὲ Βύνης ἐκ παλιρουίας κακῆς ἄμπυξ σαώσει, στέρνα δεδουφαγμένον καὶ χείρας ἄκρας, αίς κρεαγράπτους πέτρας μάρπτων, άλιβρώτοισιν αίμαχθήσεται 760 στόρθυγξι. νησον δ' εἰς Κρόνω στυγουμένην "Αρπην περάσας, μεζέων κρεανόμον, άχλαινος ίκτης πημάτων λυγρών κόπις τὸν μυθοπλάστην ἐξυλακτήσει γόον, άρας τετικώς του τυφλωθέντος δάκους. 765 ούπω μάλ', ούπω, μη τοσόσδ' ύπνος λάβοι λήθης Μέλανθον άγκλιθένθ' Ίππηγέτην. ήξει γάρ, ήξει ναύλοχον 'Ρείθρου σκέπας καὶ Νηρίτου πρηώνας. όψεται δὲ πᾶν μέλαθοον ἄρδην ἐκ βάθρων ἀνάστατον 770 μύκλοις γυναικόκλωψιν. ή δε βασσάρα

762. "Αρπη (= Δρεπάνη) was an old name of Corcyra, the island of the Phaeacians. The sickle (αρπη) with which Zeus emasculated Cronos, his father, was said to be buried there. See also on 860.

Cronos, his father, was said to be buried there. See also on 869. **764.** Odysseus tells the story of his woes to Alcinous, the Phaeacian king (Od. 9-12). I take  $\mu\nu\theta\sigma\pi\lambda\dot{\alpha}\sigma\tau\eta\nu$   $\gamma\delta\sigma\nu$  as meaning lit. "a lament which kept inventing a fictitious tale." Holzinger takes  $\gamma\delta\sigma\nu$  as the tears shed by Odysseus when he heard the bard Demodocus: these tears led Alcinous to ask him to tell his story (Od. 8. 533). Ciaceri thinks  $\mu\nu\theta$ .  $\gamma\delta\sigma\nu$  means the sad adventure (with the Cyclops Polyphemus) which made Odysseus take a false name Overlaphi Overlaphi

765. Polyphemus, blinded by Odysseus, prayed his father Poseidon

to prevent Odysseus returning to his home (Od. 9. 528).

766. ούπω SC. τετικώς.

767. Μέλανθος (cf. κυανοχαίτης) was a title of Poseidon at Athens; Ίππηγέτης a title of his at Delos. Demeter, trying to escape Poseidon, took the form of a mare, but Poseidon also transformed himself into a A cork, shall whirl him with its swooping blast.

Scarce shall Leucothea from the deadly swirl

By her veil save him, with his breast all torn

And hands, with which when he essays to grasp

Flesh-scoring rocks, the sea-gnawed spikes shall

make

760

His blood to stream. Then to the Sickle-land,
The isle which Cronos, shorn of vigour, loathed,
He comes as naked beggar with sad tale,
And whining shall recount fictitious woes,
Having fulfilled the blinded monster's curse—

Not yet! no such forgetful slumber seize
Melanthus, Steed-creator, sunk to rest!
He comes, he comes to Rheithrum's haven sure,
And to Mount Neritum. There he shall see
His house from the foundations overthrown

770
By woman-stealing wenchers; and that fox,

horse and begat the steed Arion. I accept Scheer's λγκλιθένθ' (cf. Od. 18. 189 ϵδδϵδ' ἀνακλινθϵίσα). Those who retain <math>ϵγκλιθένθ' explain it of the attitude of Poseidon in procreating the horse. Scheer thinks the passage refers to Odysseus and not to Poseidon; he quotes Od. 13. 92 ϵδδϵ λϵλασμένος, 6. 231 κόμας δακινθίνω ἄνθϵι δμοίας, 8. 494 ϵπσος δουράτϵος. . δν. . 有γαγϵ, all referring to Odysseus, but it is more probable that Cassandra prays that Poseidon may not let his vengeance sleep; cf. Od. 13. 125 οὐδ' Ενοσίχθων Λήθϵτ' ἀπϵιλάων κ.τ.λ., quoted by Holzinger.

768. Rheithrum was the haven of Ithaca, the home of Odysseus, and Neritum was a mountain there.

771. The  $\mu\dot{\nu}\kappa\lambda o\iota$  (cf. 816) are the suitors of Penelope who violated the handmaids of Odysseus' house. Penelope is here called  $\beta\alpha\sigma\sigma\dot{\alpha}\rho\alpha$ , a word which meant a fox-skin and is here used for a fox, or bacchant (cf. 792), or courtesan (cf. 1393). Lycophron adopts the version that Penelope did actually yield to the advances of the suitors and so played the courtesan with an affectation of virtue, though some think that by  $\sigma\epsilon\mu\nu\hat{\omega}s$  he means that she behaved honourably, and by  $\kappa\alpha\sigma\omega\rho\epsilon\dot{\nu}o\nu\sigma\alpha$  merely that she played off one suitor against another by pretending to favour him, this putting off of her choice proving ruinous to the estate of Odysseus.

σεμνώς κασωρεύουσα κοιλανεί δόμους, θοίναισιν ὅλβον ἐκχέασα τλήμονος. αὐτὸς δὲ πλείω τῶν ἐπὶ Σκαιαῖς πόνους ίδων μολοβρός, τλήσεται μέν οἰκετων 775 στυγνάς ἀπειλάς εὐλόφω νώτω φέρειν δέννοις κολασθείς. τλήσεται δε και γερών πληγαίς ύπείκειν καὶ βολαίσιν όστράκων. ου γαρ ξέναι μάστιγες, άλλα δαψιλής σφραγίο μενεί Θόαντος έν πλευραίς έτι, 780 λύγοισι τετρανθείσα, τὰς ὁ λυμεων έπεγκολάπτειν αστένακτος αινέσει, έκουσίαν σμώδιγγα προσμάσσων δομή, υπως παλεύση δυσμενείς, κατασκόποις λώβαισι καὶ κλαυθμοῖσι φηλώσας πρόμον. 785 ον Βομβυλείας κλιτύς ή Τεμμικία ύψιστον ήμιν πημ' ετέκνωσεν ποτε, μόνος πρός οἴκους ναυτίλων σωθείς τάλας. λοίσθον δὲ καύηξ ώστε κυμάτων δρομεύς ώς κόγχος άλμη πάντοθεν περιτριβείς, 790 κτῆσίν τε θοίναις Πρωνίων λαφυστίαν πρός τῆς Λακαίνης αἰνοβακχεύτου κιχών,

774. At the Scaean gates of Troy the fierce struggle for the body of Achilles took place. Odysseus kept the Trojans at bay while Ajax bore off the body on his shoulders. πλείω is adverbial.

775. Odysseus was taunted as μολοβρός (which some explain as

"filthy pig") by Melantheus and Irus (Od. 17. 219; 18. 26).
778. In the fragments of the 'Οστολόγοι of Aeschylus, a satyric drama based on Od. 18, we read of pots being hurled at Odysseus.

779. Odysseus allowed himself to be scourged by Thoas, one of the Greeks, before he came as a disfigured spy into Troy to deceive Priam;

cf. Od. 4. 244 sqq.

786. According to one legend Anticleia gave birth to Odvsseus  $\pi \epsilon \rho l$ τὸ ᾿Αλαλκομένειον ἐν τῆ Βοιωτία, and in memory of his birthplace he gave the name of 'Αλαλκόμεναι to a town in Ithaca. Some assume that Anticleia was outraged by Sisyphus (cf. 344, 1030) in Boeotia on her way to be wedded to Laertes, and so Odysseus, born after she was

That whore with mien demure, shall gut his home, On feasts out-pouring the poor wretch's wealth; While he himself, a starveling, seeing now More woes than at the Scaean gates, shall brook 775 His thralls' rough threats, submissive to the yoke, Schooled by abuse. Yea, he shall bring himself To yield to blows and potsherds hurled at him. Not strange to him are scourges; the broad mark Of Thoas' seal shall still rest on his loins, 780 Imprinted by the switches which that pest Without a groan shall let cut into him, Branding his body with the self-sought weals, To fool his foes as a disfigured spy, And by his wailings to deceive our king. 785 He, whom Boeotia's hill, the Flute-queen's haunt, Once bore to be for us a crowning ill, Alone saved from his ships comes sadly home. At last, like to a gull which skims the waves, Like to a shell all worn by the sea, 790 Finding his goods devoured in Pronian feasts Through his Laconian wife's wild bacchanals,

wedded to Laertes in Ithaca, was a natural son of Sisyphus; this involves taking  $\epsilon \tau \epsilon \kappa \nu \omega \sigma \epsilon \nu$  (787) as =  $\epsilon \gamma \epsilon \nu \nu \eta \sigma \epsilon \nu$  used of conception, not parturition.

The Τέμμικες were pre-Cadmean inhabitants of Boeotia; cf. 644. Athene, as inventress of the flute, was called Βομβυλεία by the Boeotians.

787 sqq. The harshness of the construction favours the proposal to re-arrange these lines in the following order:—787, 789, 790, 788, 791.

791. The Πρώνιοι were one of the four tribes into which the island of Cephallenia near Ithaca was divided (Thuc. 2. 30). Cephallenia is called Same or Samos in Homer, and from it many of the suitors came; cf. Od. 16. 249.

792. Penelope is called Laconian as daughter of Icarius, brother of

Tyndareus.

σύφαο θανείται, πόντιον φυγών σκέπας, κόραξ σὺν ὅπλοις Νηρίτων δρυμῶν πέλας. κτενεί δε τύψας πλευρά λοίγιος στόνυξ 795 κέντρω δυσαλθής έλλοπος Σαρδωνικής. κέλωρ δὲ πατρὸς ἄρταμος κληθήσεται, 'Αχιλλέως δάμαρτος αὐτανέψιος. μάντιν δὲ νεκρὸν Εὐρυτὰν στέψει λεώς. ο τ' αλπθ ναίων Τραμπύας έδέθλιον, 800 έν ή πότ' αῦθις Ἡρακλη φθίσει δράκων Τυμφαίος έν θοίναισιν Αλθίκων πρόμος, τὸν Αἰακοῦ τε κάπὸ Περσέως σποράς καὶ Τημενείων οὐκ ἄπωθεν αἰμάτων. Πέργη δέ μιν θανόντα, Τυρσηνών όρος, 805 έν Γορτυναία δέξεται πεφλεγμένον, όταν στενάζων κήρας έκπνεύση βίον

793.  $\sigma \hat{v} \phi \alpha \rho$  properly meant the wrinkled skin of a serpent. The meaning of  $\pi \delta \nu \tau \iota \sigma \nu$   $\phi \nu \gamma \dot{\omega} \nu$   $\sigma \kappa \dot{\epsilon} \pi \alpha s$  is obscure: Teiresias had predicted to Odysseus that death would come upon him  $\dot{\epsilon} \xi$   $\dot{\alpha} \lambda \dot{\delta} s$  (Od. 11. 134), and Lycophron may mean that Odysseus shunned the haven of Ithaca in an effort to avert his destined end. Holzinger thinks that Lycophron is referring to Odysseus leaving the haven of Ithaca to go over to Epeirus to sacrifice to Poseidon after the slaughter of the suitors, as Teiresias had ordained; but  $\phi \nu \gamma \dot{\omega} \nu$  can hardly be used merely as =  $\lambda \iota \pi \dot{\omega} \nu$ . Ciaceri takes  $\pi \dot{\delta} \nu \tau \iota \sigma \nu \sigma \kappa \dot{\epsilon} \pi \alpha s$  as the sea generally, the meaning being that Odysseus, in order to make the sacrifice to Poseidon, was to leave the sea far behind him and penetrate into the interior of Epeirus, where the people knew not the sea; cf. Od. 11. 127.

794. The crow, annosa cornix, was proverbial for its longevity.

795. The  $T_{\eta}\lambda\epsilon\gamma\sigma\nu'\alpha$ , a cyclic poem, told how Telegonus, son of Odysseus and Circe, was sent by Circe to find Odysseus, and being driven by a storm on Ithaca proceeded to plunder the island to get food. Odysseus opposed him, and Telegonus, ignorant that he was his father, slew him with a lance tipped with fish-bone.

796. "Sardinian" = "Tyrrhenian," referring to the western Italian sea. Circe dwelt in Tyrrhenia, and tipped her son's lance with a bone or spike from the tail of the poisonous fish (the sting-ray,  $\tau \rho \nu \gamma \omega \nu$ ) taken from this sea. A play of Sophocles bore the name

'Οδυσσευς ακανθοπλήξ.

Shunning the haven, wrinkled he shall die,
Crow-aged, in arms near woody Neritum.
A doom-fraught lance thrust through his side brings
death
795

With fatal barb got from Sardinian fish.

His father's butcher shall the son be called,
That son the cousin of Achilles' wife.

When dead, as seer the Eurytanian folk
Shall honour him, and those who have as home 800

High Trampya, where the Tymphaean snake,
The Aethic leader, shall while feasting slay
One Heracles, the seed of Aeacus
And Perseus, close akin to Temenus.
Then Perga's Tuscan hill shall take his corpse 805

Burnt on the pyre in Gortynaean land,
When he shall breathe his last, bemoaning much

799. The Eurytanians were one of the old peoples of Aetolia. They

had a νεκρομαντείον 'Οδυσσέως.

800. Trampya was a city in Epeirus; the  $T\nu\mu\phi\alpha\hat{n}o\iota$  and  $A'\ell\mu\kappa\epsilon$ s were tribes in that land. The "snake" is Polysperchon who in 309 B.C. slew Heracles, son of Alexander the Great and Barsine. Olympias (mother of Alexander the Great) was daughter of the Molossian Neoptolemus who was descended from Neoptolemus, son of Achilles, and so from Aeacus (father of Peleus). Alexander the Great claimed descent from the hero Heracles, as the Macedonian kings were Temenids, and Temenus was a great-grandson of Heracles, who was a great-grandson of Perseus.

805. In the *Telegonia* (795 n.) Telegonus, when he found that it was Odysseus his father whom he had slain, took the body back with him when he returned to Circe in the Tyrrhenian land. Along with him came Telemachus and Penelope. Lycophron here says that the body was burned in Etruria at Cortona, and buried at Mount Perga close to

Cortona, which is here called Gortyna.

807. In this line Cassandra goes back to the dying moments of Odysseus in Ithaca, when he is endowed with prophetic vision.

<sup>798.</sup> Medea was wedded by Achilles in the Elysian Fields (174 n.). Circe was sister of the Colchian Aeetes, father of Medea.

παιδός τε και δάμαρτος, ην κτείνας πόσις αὐτὸς πρὸς "Αιδην δευτέραν όδὸν περά, σφαγαίς άδελφης ήλοκισμένος δέρην, 810 Γλαύκωνος 'Αψύρτοιό τ' αὐτανεψίας. χώ μεν τοσούτων θίνα πημάτων ιδών αστρεπτον "Αιδην δύσεται το δεύτερον. γαληνὸν ήμαρ οὖποτ' ἐν ζωή δρακών. ὦ σχέτλι', ως συι κρείσσον ἢν μίμνειν πάτρα 815 βοηλατούντα, καὶ τὸν ἐργάτην μύκλον κάνθων' ύπο ζεύγλαισι μεσσαβούν έτι πλασταίσι λύσσης μηχαναίς οιστρημένου, η τηλικώνδε πείραν ότλησαι κακών. Ο δ' αινόλεκτρον άρπαγείσαν εθνέτης 820 πλάτιν ματεύων, κληδόνων πεπυσμένος, ποθών δὲ φάσμα πτηνόν, εἰς αἴθραν φυγόν, ποίους θαλάσσης οὐκ ἐρευνήσει μυχούς;

808.  $\pi \alpha \imath \delta \delta s = \text{Telemachus}$ :  $\delta \acute{\alpha} \mu \alpha \rho \tau \sigma s = \text{Circe.}$  After the death of Odysseus, Telegonus married Penelope, and Telemachus (son of Odysseus and Penelope) married Circe. Telemachus afterwards slew Circe, and was in turn slain by Cassiphone, who was daughter of Odysseus and Circe and so half-sister of Telemachus.

ποίαν δὲ χέρσον οὐκ ἀνιχνεύσει μολών;

811. Glaucon was son of Minos and Pasiphae; Absyrtus was son of the Colchian Aeetes; Circe, Pasiphae, and Aeetes were all children of the Sun-god; thus Cassiphone, daughter of Circe, was cousin of

Glaucon and Absyrtus.

813. The first entry of Odysseus into Hades was when he went down

to consult Teiresias (681 sqq.).

815. Odysseus feigned madness in order to avoid going to Troy. The Greek chiefs who came to Ithaca to invite him to join the expedition found him ploughing with an ox and an ass yoked together, and sowing salt. His imposture was detected by Palamedes, who placed the infant Telemachus in front of the plough, and Odysseus stopped the plough to save his child's life. He was then obliged to fulfil the promise he had made as a suitor of Helen to recover her if she were carried off.

820. The wanderings of Menelaus returning from Troy are now

The fate of son and wife, whom her lord slays And goes himself next on the road to Death, With his throat furrowed by that sister's hands, 810 Cousin of Glaucon and Absyrtus too. So he, beholding such a heap of woes, Once more shall enter Hades, there to stay, Knowing not any peaceful day in life. O wretch! much better 'twere for thee to bide 815 Ox-driving in thy land, and still to bind The toiling stallion-ass beneath the yoke, By feigned device of frenzy driven wild, Than to endure the test of ills so great! And he, the husband seeking ill-wed wife 820 Borne off, of whom he learns by rumours vague, Yearning for that winged phantom flown on high, What corners of the sea shall he not search?

described. Lycophron attributes them to his search for his lost wife Helen; in Homer (Od. 3. 287, 4. 82) it is Zeus who in his wrath drives him hither and thither for eight years.

What land shall he not visit and track out?

821. In Hdt. 2. 118 we are told that Menelaus learned from the Trojans that Helen was not with them but in Egypt, and he came thither to seek her.

822. Euripides in his Helen assumes that Paris had brought with him to Troy merely an εἴδωλον of Helen (cf. 113 supr.), and that this εἴδωλον was taken by Menelaus at the fall of Troy and brought away by him on his homeward voyage, during which he was driven by a storm to Egypt, where he found the real Helen and the phantom vanished (Hel. 605 βέβηκεν ἄλοχος σὴ πρὸς αἰθέρος πτυχὰς | ἀρθεῖσ' ἄφαντος). Lycophron's words here seem to imply that the εἴδωλον flew away and disappeared at the moment it came into the hands of Menelaus at Troy, as φυγόν must be used of past time contrasted with ποθῶν and ἀνιχνεύσει. The legend of the εἴδωλον of Helen is first found apparently in the παλινφδία of Stesichorus.

823. In Od. 4. 83 Menelaus tells how he roamed over Cyprus and Phoenicia and Egypt, and reached the Aethiopians and Sidonians and

Erembi and Libya.

ἐπόψεται μὲν πρῶτα Τυφῶνος σκοπάς, 825
καὶ πέμπελον γραῦν μαρμαρουμένην δέμας,
καὶ τὰς Ἐρεμβῶν ναυβάταις ἠχθημένας
προβλῆτας ἀκτάς. ὄψεται δὲ τλήμονος
Μύρρας ἐρυμνὸν ἄστυ, τῆς μογοστόκους
ἀδῖνας ἐξέλυσε δενδρώδης κλάδος, 830
καὶ τὸν θεᾳ κλαυσθέντα Γαύαντος τάφον
Σχοινῆδι μουσόφθαρτον ᾿Αρέντᾳ Ξένη,
κραντῆρι λευκῷ τόν ποτ᾽ ἔκτανε πτέλας.
ἐπόψεται δὲ τύρσιας Κηφηίδας,
καὶ Λαφρίου λακτίσμαθ᾽ Ἑρμαίου ποδός, 835
δισσάς τε πέτρας, κέπφος αἶς προσήλατο

825. Typhoeus (Typhon) is said in Il. 2. 783 to have his resting-place at Αριμα, which is supposed to have been in Cilicia. From the order Lycophron observes in the wanderings of Menelaus it is clearly some place in the East that he means to describe. In 689 supr. he said that Typhoeus was buried on the Campanian coast; Pindar (Pyth. 1. 16) says that Typhoeus was reared in Cilicia and buried under the volcanic region from Cumae to Etna.

826. Aphrodite, surprised by the gods in her intrigue with Ares, fled from Olympus to Cyprus. When the gods sought her there, an old woman betrayed where she was hidden, and Aphrodite in wrath

turned her into stone.

827. The name ' $E\rho\epsilon\mu\beta\sigma$ i (Od. 4. 84) seems to be connected with  $\tilde{\epsilon}\rho\epsilon\beta\sigma$ s,  $\tilde{\epsilon}\rho\epsilon\beta\epsilon\nu\nu\delta$ s, and  $\tilde{\epsilon}\rho\epsilon\mu\nu\delta$ s. Some identify them with the Troglodytes (their name "dark men" meaning "hole-dwellers") either in Arabia or on the other side of the Red Sea on the E. of Africa. Others explain the name as "swarthy," and regard them as a branch of the Aethiopians on the Mediterranean coast opposite Cyprus. Ameis thinks the name is the same as that of the Hebrews, Aramaeans, and Arabians.

829. The city of Myrrha is Byblus in Phoenicia. Myrrha (or Smyrna), having committed incest with her father, the Assyrian king Theias, was turned into a tree of the same name, and from the trunk of the tree gave birth to Adonis, whom Aphrodite loved. In Ov. Met. 10. 298 sqq. she is said to have been the daughter of Cinyras, king

of Cyprus

830. For  $\kappa\lambda$ άδος = "tree-bark" cf. 755 supr. Professor Goligher has suggested that δενδ.  $\kappa\lambda$ άδος means "a tree-born scion," i.e. Adonis.

831. Γαύας was a Cyprian title of Adonis. His death was compassed

825 The crags of Typhon first shall he behold, And the aged hag turned into rocky form, And the Erembi's jutting coasts abhorred By mariners. The stronghold shall he see Of woeful Myrrha, whom from grievous pangs Of birth the bursting tree-bark did set free, 830 And Gavas' tomb, the Muses' victim, mourned By the Marsh-goddess, Warrior, Immigrant; Him once the wild-boar with its white tusk slew. And Cepheus' towers he shall behold, and springs Struck out by hospitable Hermes' foot, 835 And those two rocks, on which that stupid gull

by the Muses as a vengeance on Aphrodite, who had made three of them (Calliope, Terpsichore, and Euterpe) yield to the joys of love. He was killed by a boar on Lebanon when he was drawn to the chase by a hunting-song sung by the Muses. In his honour Aphrodite founded yearly rites called 'Αδώνια; cf. Theocritus' 'Αδωνιάζουσαι. At Samos there was a temple of Aphrodite ev Kalauois or ev Elei founded by Athenian courtesans who followed Pericles when he besieged Samos. From it Aphrodite got the title  $\sum \chi \sigma \iota \nu \eta is (\sigma \chi \sigma \hat{\iota} \nu \sigma s = \kappa \dot{\alpha} \lambda \alpha \mu \sigma s)$ , though some would connect it with Schoinus, a little harbour of Corinth near which she had a temple. Herodotus (2. 112) mentions a temple of Ξείνη 'Αφροδίτη whom he identifies with Helen. She is the Phoenician Astarte, the title Ecivy distinguishing her from the Egyptian Aphrodite. The title 'Αρέντα is obscure. The Schol. explains it ὅτι δύο ξένους ἀρμόττει πρὸς μίαν συνάφειαν γαμικήν. Holzinger identifies it with 'Αρεία "armed," under which title Aphrodite had a temple at Sparta.

834. Cepheus was king of Aethiopia and father of Andromeda.

835. In Aethiopia Hermes made a spring gush forth for the heifer Io, who had been given into his charge by Zeus, by smiting with his foot the spot called  $E\rho\mu\sigma\hat{v}$   $\pi\tau\epsilon\rho\nu\alpha$ . The title  $\Lambda\dot{\alpha}\phi\rho\iota\sigma$  is  $=\phi\iota\lambda\dot{\delta}\xi\epsilon\nu\sigma$ (Schol.).  $\Lambda \alpha \phi \rho i \alpha$  was a title of Athene (see 356) as giver of booty, and that would suggest that  $\Lambda \alpha \phi \rho i \sigma$  may be =  $K \tau \alpha \rho \sigma s$  (679).

836. A sea-monster ( $\kappa \hat{\eta} \tau os$ , here sarcastically called  $\kappa \epsilon \pi \phi os$ ) was sent by Poseidon to waste Aethiopia because Cepheus' wife boasted that she surpassed the Nereids in beauty. Cepheus, as an oracle bade, exposed his daughter Andromeda to be devoured, but she was delivered by Perseus. The story is like that of Heracles and Hesione (v. 34), as Perseus is swallowed by the monster and cuts its entrails.

δαιτός γατίζων. αντί θηλείας δ' έβη τὸν χρυσόπατρον μόρφνον άρπάσας γνάθοις, τὸν ἡπατουργὸν ἄρσεν' ἀρβυλόπτερον. πεφήσεται δε του θεριστήρος ξυρώ, 840 φάλαινα δυσμίσητος έξινωμένη, ίπποβρότους ωδίνας οίξαντος τόκων τῆς δειρόπαιδος μαρμαρώπιδος γαλῆς, δς ζωοπλαστων άνδρας εξ άκρου ποδός άγαλματώσας άμφελύτρωσεν πέτρω, 845 λαμπτηροκλέπτης τριπλανούς ποδηγίας. έπόψεται δε τους θερειπότους γύας, καὶ ρείθρον 'Ασβύσταυ καὶ χαμευνάδας ευνάς, δυσύδμοις θηροί συγκοιμώμενος. καὶ πάντα τλήσεθ' ουνεκ' Αίγύας κυνός 850 τῆς θηλύπαιδος καὶ τριάνορος κόρης. ήξει δ' αλήτης είς Ίαπύγων στρατόν, καὶ δῶρ' ἀνάψει παρθένω Σκυλητρία,

838. Perseus is called "golden-sired" because his mother Danae

was visited by Zeus in a shower of gold.

842. Lycophron passes here to the slaying of Medusa. When Perseus cut off her head, a horse and man were born from her severed neck. The weasel was supposed to produce its young from its neck and mouth; cf. Ov. Met. 9. 322.

844. By displaying the head of the Gorgon Medusa Perseus was able to turn beholders to stone, and they became rooted to the ground.

845. I adopt Scheer's ἀμφελύτρωσεν πέτρω for ἀμφελυτρώσει πέτρων. 846. The three Γραΐαι, daughters of Phorcys and Ceto, possessed only one eye and one tooth between them. Perseus deprived them of these, and afterwards restored them on condition that the Γραΐαι should guide him to the nymphs who equipped him against Medusa.

847. Menelaus visited the fields of Egypt watered by the Nile swollen with melted snow. The Nile is called Asbystes from the

Asbystae, a Libyan tribe south of Cyrene; cf. 895.

849. In order that Menelaus might take Proteus by surprise and learn from him how he should return to his home, he and three of his comrades were covered with the skins of seals by Eidothea, daughter of Proteus, and lay on the beach amid the evil-smelling seals (Od. 4. 435 sqq.).

Leaped, seeking food, when with his jaws he snatched No maiden, but the eagle golden-sired, The liver-rending hero with winged shoes. The loathed sea-monster, all its sinews cut. 840 Slain by that reaper's razor then shall be, Who freed the man and horse born weasel-wise From neck of dam whose look can turn to stone. And, moulding living men from foot to head In statue form, with stone did case them round, 845 Thief of the lamp which lit the feet of three. Then he shall see the summer-watered fields, And flowing Nile, and litters on the ground, While resting 'mid the evil-smelling seals. All this he bears through love of Spartan hound, 850 That thrice-wed maid who only daughters bore. Then roams he to the Iapygian host, And hangs up offerings to the Plundering Maid,

**850.** Alyus was a city of Laconia on the borders of Arcadia. For the Laconian origin of Helen cf. 87. In Hom. she is  $A\rho\gamma\epsilon i\eta$  'E $\lambda\epsilon\nu\eta$ , hence the variant ' $A\rho\gamma\epsilon i\alpha$ s here. She is called  $\kappa\nu\omega\nu$  by reason of here

shamelessness; cf. 87.

**851.** The three husbands of Helen here referred to are probably Menelaus, Paris, and Deiphobus; in 143 supr. she is called  $\pi \epsilon \nu \tau \dot{\alpha} - \lambda \epsilon \kappa \tau \rho \sigma s$ , Theseus and Achilles being included. Her daughters were Iphigeneia and Hermione, the former by Theseus, the latter by Menelaus. Homer mentions Hermione only; Hesiod mentions Hermione and also a son Nicostratus; Sophocles follows Hesiod (see Jebb on Soph. *El.* 539). According to the common tradition Iphigeneia was a daughter of Agamemnon and Clytaemnestra.

852. The voyage of Menelaus along the coast of Italy is now described. Iapygia was the name applied by the Greeks usually to the "heel" of Italy, i.e. Calabria, terminating in the Ακρα Ἰαπυγία. The Iapyges (who probably came from Illyria) are here called στρατός

from their warlike character.

**853.** Σκυλητρία (σκῦλα, spolia) is a title of Athene; cf. Λαφρία, 356. Scheer reads Σκυλλητία, from Σκυλλήτιον, an Athenian colony in Bruttium.

Ταμάσσιον κρατῆρα καὶ βοάγριον	
καὶ τὰς δάμαρτος ἀσκέρας εὐμάριδας.	855
ήξει δὲ Σῖριν καὶ Λακινίου μυχούς,	
έν οἶσι πόρτις ὄρχατον τεύξει θεᾳ	
΄ Οπλοσμία φυτοΐσιν έξησκημένον.	
γυναιξί δ' έσται τεθμός έγχώροις ἀεὶ	
πευθείν τὸν εἰνάπηχυν Αἰακοῦ τρίτου	860
καὶ Δωρίδος, πρηστῆρα δαΐου μάχης,	
καὶ μήτε χρυσῷ φαιδρὰ καλλύνειν ῥέθη,	
μήθ' άβροπήνους ἀμφιβάλλεσθαι πέπλους	
κάλχη φορυκτούς, ουνεκεν θεά θεός	
χέρσου μέγαν στόρθυγγα δωρείται κτίσαι.	865
ηξει δε ταύρου γυμνάδας κακοξένους	
πάλης κονίστρας, ὄν τε Κωλῶτις τεκνοῖ,	
'Αλεντία κρείουσα Λογγούρου μυχῶν,	
"Αρπης Κρόνου πήδημα Κογχείας θ' ὕδωρ	
κάμψας Γονοῦσάν τ' ηδε Σικανῶν πλάκας,	870
καὶ θηροχλαίνου σηκὸν ὢμηστοῦ λύκου,	

854. Ταμασσός (or Τάμασος) in Cyprus was famous for its copper

mines; cf. Od. 1. 184, where it is called Tenéon.

855. Lycophron implies that Helen had been found in Egypt by Menelaus and brought away by him. εξμαρις, which was a soft Eastern shoe (Aesch. Pers. 660, Eur. Or. 1370), is here used as an

adj. (=  $\beta \alpha \rho \beta \alpha \rho \sigma s$ ) with  $\alpha \sigma \kappa \epsilon \rho \alpha$  (a fur-lined shoe).

856. Siris was a city on a river of the same name in Magna Graecia. Thetis gave to Hera ('Οπλοσμία, 614 n.) the grove on Cape Lacinium (near Croton), where was a famous temple of Hera. For  $\pi \acute{o}\rho \tau \iota s =$ κόρη cf. 102, 320; the Nereids, of whom Thetis was one, are κόραι, cf. Aesch. fr. 174, Eur. I.T. 427 (Holzinger).

859. The women of Croton, in gratitude for the gift of Thetis, share her sorrow for the death of Achilles. Achilles' father Peleus was son

of Aeacus, and his mother Thetis was daughter of Doris.

866. Menelaus comes to Sicily. Ervx, the Sicilian, son of the Argonaut Butes and Aphrodite, slew strangers by wrestling with them. On the promontory called after him was a famous temple of Aphrodite (Erycina). Κωλωτις was a Cyprian title of Aphrodite (Schol.); it may be connected with Kwhias an Attic title of the goddess betokening the mysteries of generation and birth. 'Alertía was a title of hers at

Tamassian mixing-bowls and ox-hide shield And his wife's foreign shoes of fur-skin wrought. 855 He comes to Siris and Lacinium's nooks, Where once the nymph for Hera shall lay out A garden-grove made beautiful with trees. Amongst the women there the law shall hold To mourn that battle-bolt, nine cubits high, 860 Born third in Aeacus' and Doris' line, And not to deck their gleaming limbs with gold, Nor put about them softly-woven robes Dyed purple, since to goddess goddess gave As habitation that great spike of land. 865 Then comes he to the sandy wrestling-ring Of the guest-slaying bull whom Cypris bore, Oueen of the Ales and Longurus' creeks. Round Cronos' Sickle's Fall, round Conche's streams. Gonusa, and Sicanian fields he winds. 870 And shrine of ravening wolf in lion's hide,

Colophon derived from the river "Αλης (v. 425). Λόγγουρος is said by the Schol. to be a harbour in Sicily, which some identify with Panormus.

869. The sickle with which Zeus emasculated Cronos was supposed to have fallen either at Drepanum (δρέπανον, "sickle") in Sicily or at Corcyra (earlier called Δρεπάνη or Αρπη, v. 762). Holzinger explains Κογχεία as a form of Κόγχη, and thinks that it is Panormus (Palermo), which in shape resembles a shell; it is still spoken of as Conca d'Oro. The river then would be the Orethus. Ciaceri assumes that it is Himera with its hot springs which is here mentioned.

870. Γονοῦσα is quite unknown: Tzetzes says it is a λίμνη Σικελίας; Holzinger suggests Cape Soluntum; Ciaceri proposes to read Αἰγοῦσαν, the name of an islet off the west coast of Sicily.

The Sicanians were the old dwellers on the W. of Sicily; the Sicilians proper dwelt in the E. of the island. Lycophron does not use Σικελοί or Σικελία (cf. 951, 1029), so Σικανοί may be used here for the inhabitants generally, or may refer specially to the people of W.

871. On the island of Ilva (Aethalia, Elba) off the coast of Etruria

δν Κρηθέως ἄμναμος δρμίσας σκάφος έδειμε πεντήκοντα σύν ναυηγέταις. κοόκαι δε Μινυων ευλιπή στελγίσματα τηρούσιν, άλμης οὐδὲ φοιβάζει κλύδων, 875 ούδ' όμβρία σμήχουσα δηναιον νιφάς. "Αλλους δὲ θίνες οί τε Ταυγείοων πέλας μύρμηκες αλάζουσιν εκβεβρασμένους έρημον είς "Ατλαντος οἰκητήριον θρυλιγμάτων δέρτροισι προσσεσηρότας, 880 Μόψον Τιταιοώνειον ένθα ναυβάται θανόντα ταρχύσαντο, τυμβείαν θ' υπερ κρηπίδ' ἀνεστήλωσαν 'Αργώου δυρός κλασθέν πέτευρον, νερτέρων κειμήλιον, Αὔσιγδα Κινύφειος ή τέγγων ρόος 885 νασμοίς λιπαίνει, τω δε Νηρέως γόνω Τρίτωνι Κολχίς ώπασεν δάνος γυνή χρυσώ πλατύν κρατήρα κεκροτημένον, δείξαντι πλωτήν οίμον, ή δια στενών μύρμων ενήσει Τίφυς άθραυστον σκάφος. 890 Γραικούς δὲ χώρας τουτάκις λαβείν κράτη,

a temple was erected to Heracles by Jason (son of Aeson, who was son of Cretheus). The Argonauts (many of them descendants of the Thessalian Minyas) held wrestling contests on the island in honour of Heracles, the wrestler, and they cleansed themselves with the  $\sigma\tau\lambda\epsilon\gamma\gamma$ is (Lat. strigilis). The pebbles on the beach were supposed to have the colour of the  $\sigma\tau\lambda\epsilon\gamma\gamma$ i $\sigma\mu\alpha\tau\alpha$ ; cf. Ap. Rh. 4. 655.

877. Others of the Greeks returning from Troy, including Guneus, Prothous, and Eurypylus, were driven to the shores of Libya.

Taucheira (later Arsinoe) was on the coast S.W. of Cyrene.

880. As σεσηρὸς ἕλκος was used of a gaping wound, Lycophron, by a strange inversion, describes those with gaping wounds as "gaping at" what causes their wounds. The Schol. explains προσσεσηρότας by διεσχισμένους, Scheer by illisos, "dashed against," lit. "swept against"; Holzinger takes it of the distorted grin on the faces of the shipwrecked men.

Which Cretheus' grandson, anchoring his ship,
Built with the help of fifty mariners.
And still the strand preserves the oil scraped off
By Minyan wrestlers; wave-brine scours it not,
Nor showering rain though washing it for long.

For others wail the dunes and sunken reefs
Hard by Taucheira, when they are cast up
Upon the shore of Atlas' lonely home,
With gaping wounds, by jagged wreckage
pierced,—

880

Where Mopsus of Titaeron met his death,
And the crew buried him, and o'er the base
Of his tomb raised aloft his broken oar
From the ship Argo, for the dead to keep,—
There, where the Cinyps with its flowing stream 885
Makes rich Ausigda, where the Colchian bride
On Triton, Nereus' son, a gift bestowed,
An ample mixing-bowl of hammered gold,
For pointing out the course where, without harm,
Tiphys could thrust his ship through narrow reefs.

Further declared the twy-formed sea-born god

<sup>881.</sup> Mopsus, the seer or augur of the Argonauts, was born at Titaeron, a Thessalian town, and died in Libya of a snake-bite; cf. Ap. Rh. 4. 1502 sqq.

<sup>883.</sup> For the placing of oars upon a tomb cf. Od. 12. 15, Ap. Rh. 2. 843, Aen. 6. 233.

<sup>885.</sup> The Κίνυφος, or Κίνυψ, was a river between the two Syrtes (648 n.). Ausigda was a city in Cyrenaica.

<sup>887.</sup> In Ap. Rh. 4. 1550 sqq. we are told how the god Triton showed the Argonauts the outlet from Lake Tritonis in Libya to the sea. According to Ap. Rh. the gift of the Argonauts to Triton was a tripod (cf. Hdt. 4. 179).

<sup>890.</sup> Tiphys was steersman of the Argo. Contrast Ap. Rh. 2. 854.

θαλασσόπαις δίμορφος αὐδάζει θεός,	
<b>ὅταν παλίμπουν δῶρον ἄγραυλος λεὼς</b>	
"Ελλην' ὀρέξη νοσφίσας πάτρας Λίβυς.	
εὐχὰς δὲ δειμαίνοντες 'Ασβύσται κτέαρ	895
κρύψουσ' ἄφαυτον ἐν χθονὸς νειροῖς μυχοῖς,	
έν ή Κυφαίων δύσμορον στρατηλάτην	
ναύταις συνεκβράσουσι Βορραΐαι πνοαί,	
τόν τ' ἐκ Παλαύθοων ἔκγονον Τενθρηδόνος,	
'Αμφουσίων σκηπτοῦχον Εὐρυαμπίων,	900
καὶ τὸν δυνάστην τοῦ πετρωθέντος λύκου	
ἀποινοδόρπου καὶ πάγων Τυμφοηστίων.	
ὧν οἱ μὲν Αἰγώνειαν ἄθλιοι πάτραν	
ποθούντες, οί δ' Έχτνον, οί δὲ Τίταρον,	
Ίρόν τε, καὶ Τρηχῖνα, καὶ Περραιβικὴν	905
Γόννον Φάλαννάν τ', ήδ' 'Ολοσσόνων γύας,	
καὶ Κασταναίαν, ἀκτέριστον ἐν πέτραις	
αὶῶνα κωκύσουσιν ήλοκισμένοι.	
"Αλλην δ' έπ' ἄλλη κῆρα κινήσει θεός,	
λυγράν ποὸ νόστου συμφοράν δωρούμενος.	910
Τὸν δ' Αἰσάρου τε ρεῖθρα καὶ βραχύπτολις	

892. Triton was in form half-god, half-fish; cf. Ap. Rh. 4. 1610. Pindar, in his fourth Pythian Ode, tells at length of the prophecy of Triton in connexion with the foundation of Cyrene.

895. The Asbystae were a Libyan tribe (848 n.). Triton, out of gratitude to the Greeks, wishes  $(\epsilon \hat{v} \chi \hat{a}_s)$  that his prophecy may be

fulfilled.

897. Guneus (Γουνεύς) was leader of the contingent from Cyphus, a town in Perrhaebia in Thessaly, against Troy; cf. Il. 2. 748. On his

return voyage he was wrecked on the Libyan coast.

899. Prothous, son of Tenthredon, led the Greeks from Magnesia in Thessaly (11. 2. 756); Palauthra was a promontory there. The Amphrysus rose near Mt. Othrys in S. Thessaly, and flowed into the Pagasaean gulf. Euryampia or Euryampus must have been the district about this river.

901. Eurypylus led the Greeks from Ormenium and other places in S.E. Thessaly (11.2.734). The eastern boundary of his dominion

That Greeks should get dominion o'er this land	
When to a Hellene Libyan shepherd-folk	
Restore the gift and strip their land thereof.	
So the Asbystae, fearing his heart's wish,	895
Shall hide the treasure deep down in the earth,	
Where Cyphus' ill-starred leader with his crew	
The northern blasts shall drive upon the shore,	
Also Tenthredon's son, Palauthra-born,	
Who the Amphrysian Euryampians rules,	900
Also the lord of where the stone wolf ate	
The atoning sheep, and of Tymphrestus' hills.	
Of these forlorn some Aegoneia miss,	
Their home, Echinus some, some Titarus,	
Irus, and Trachis, and Perrhaebian towns,	905
Gonnus, Phalanna, and Olosson's fields,	
And Castanaea; mangled on the rocks	
They mourn for ever their unburied state.	
A god shall stir up doom succeeding doom,	
And no home-coming but affliction grant.	910
Him, whom the asp bit, flowing Aesarus	

was Λυκοστόμιον, and the western boundary was Tymphrestus. The wolf was turned into stone by Thetis for devouring the sheep and oxen sent as an atonement by Peleus to Acastus for having unwittingly slain his son Actor in the chase.

903. Aegoneia, Echinus, Irus, and Trachis were cities in Malis, the part of S.E. Thessaly round the Maliac gulf. Titarus was a mountain (or city) in N. Thessaly. Gonnus, Phalanna, and Olosson were cities in Perrhaebia, a district in N. Thessaly, south of Mount Olympus. Castanaea lay on the coast of Magnesia between Pelion and Ossa.

908. The dead who have received no due funeral honours (κτερίσ-ματα) have no peace in Hades; cf. 11. 23. 71 sqq., Od. 11. 51 sqq.

911. Philoctetes, who had been left behind by the Greeks on the outward voyage at Lemnos with his foot suppurating from the bite of an asp, was afterwards brought to Troy, as it could not be captured without the bow of Heracles (52 sqq.), which was in the keeping of Philoctetes. According to the tradition which Lycophron follows,

Οινωτρίας γης κεγχρίνη βεβρωμένον	
Κρίμισα φιτροῦ δέξεται μιαιφώνον,—	
αὐτὴ γὰρ ἄκραν ἄρδιν εὐθυνεῖ χεροῖν	
Σάλπιγξ ἀποψάλλουσα Μαιώτην πλόκον,—	915
Δύρα παρ' ὄχθαις ὅς ποτε φλέξας θοασὺν	
λέοντα ραιβώ χεῖρας ὥπλισε Σκύθη	
δράκοντ' ἀφύκτων γομφίων λυροκτύπφ.	
Κραθις δε τύμβους όψεται δεδουπότος,	
εὐρὰξ 'Αλαίου Παταρέως ἀνακτόρων,	920
Ναύαιθος ἔνθα πρὸς κλύδων' ἐρεύγεται.	
κτενοῦσι δ' αὐτὸν Αὔσονες Πελλήνιοι	
βοηδρομούντα Λινδίων στρατηλάταις,	
ους τηλε Θεομύδρου τε Καρπάθου τ' όρων	
πλάνητας αἴθων Θρασκίας πέμψει κύων	925
ξένην ἐποικήσοντας ὀθνείαν χθόνα.	
έν δ' αὖ Μακάλλοις σηκον ἔγχωροι μέγαν	
ύπερ τάφων δείμαντες, αἰανῆ θεὸν	
λοιβαΐσι κυδανούσι καὶ θύσθλοις βοών.	
Ο δ' ίπποτέκτων Λαγαρίας ἐν ἀγκάλαις,	930

Philoctetes came to Italy after the fall of Troy. The Aesarus was a river of Croton. The name Oenotria was given by the Greeks in very ancient times to the whole southern part of Italy. Crimisa was a town on the E. coast of Bruttium, founded by Philoctetes.

913. Paris, the firebrand (cf. 86, 225), was slain by Philoctetes: Athene (called Σάλπιγξ at Argos; cf. Paus. 2. 21. 3) guided the shaft

which laid him low.

915. Μαιώτην = Σκύθην. The Μαιῶται dwelt about the Μαιῶτις  $\lambda$ ίμνη, Sea of Azov. Heracles got the bow from the Scythian herds-

man Teutarus (v. 56).

916. Philoctetes fired the pyre of Heracles on Mt. Oeta (cf. Soph. Ph. 801). The river Dyras in Trachis was said to have extinguished the pyre (Hdt. 7. 198). Heracles gave his bow, which is here compared to a snake, as a reward to Philoctetes.

919. The Crathis was a river near Sybaris, flowing into the Gulf of

Tarentum

920. Apollo is called  $\Pi \alpha \tau \alpha \rho \epsilon \dot{\nu} s$  from his famous temple at Patara in Lycia. Philoctetes, having ended his wanderings  $(\check{\alpha}\lambda\eta = \pi\lambda\dot{\alpha}\nu\eta)$ , founded a shrine to Apollo 'A $\lambda\alpha\hat{\iota} s$ s.

And a small town in the Oenotrian land, Crimisa, take—him who the firebrand slew;— The Trumpeter with her own hands shall guide The shaft-point, and Maeotian bow-cord spring.—915 He by the Dyras the bold lion burned, And armed his hands with curving Scythian bow, That snake, whose string rings with unerring fangs. When once he falls, the Crathis sees his tomb Athwart the shrine of Phoebus, Roamers' god, 920 Where to the sea Navaethus belches forth. Pellenians, settled in Ausonian land, Shall slay him as he helps the Lindian chiefs, Whom howling northern hurricanes drive far From Thermydrum and craggy Carpathus 925 To dwell with strangers on a foreign soil. The natives at Macalla o'er his grave Build a great shrine, and as eternal god Exalt him with libations and slain kine. The horse-constructor finds Lagaria's port, 930

921. The Navaethus (mod. Nieto) was a river a little north of Croton. Its name was traditionally derived from the story of the Trojan captive women burning the ships of their captors there; see 1075 infr.

922. Pellene was a city in N.E. Achaea, on the borders of Argolis. The Achaeans were said to have founded many colonies in Magna Graecia, e.g. Sybaris, Croton, Caulonia, and Metapontum. The Rhodians returning from Troy attacked the Achaean colonists, and Philoctetes was slain while aiding the Rhodians. Lindus was a city in Rhodes, with Thermydrum as its port. Carpathus was a hilly islet S.W. of Rhodes. Θρασκίας was the N.N.W. wind which prevented the Rhodians, when returning from Troy, landing on their island, and drove them towards Africa; the S. wind then drove them to Italy (cf. 1016).

927. Macalla was a city on the river Navaethus (921), where were

the tomb and temple of Philoctetes.

930. Epeius, the builder of the  $\ln \pi \pi \sigma s$  δουνάτεος which led to the fall of Troy, was said to have landed in Lucania in S. Italy, and founded the little town of Lagaria. The verb of the sentence has to be supplied out of  $\nu \alpha \sigma \sigma \epsilon \tau \alpha \iota$ , 947.

έγχος πεφρικώς και φάλαγγα θουρίαν,	
πατρώτον δρκον εκτίνων ψευδώμοτον,	
δι άμφὶ μήλων των δορικτήτων τάλας	
πύργων Κομαιθούς συμπεφυρμένων στρατώ	
στεργοξυνεύνων ουνεκεν νυμφευμάτων	935
'Αλοίτιν έτλη την Κυδωνίαν Θρασώ	
όρκωμοτῆσαι, τόν τε Κρηστώνης θεὸν	
Κανδάον' ή Μάμερτον όπλίτην λύκον,	
ό μητρὸς ἐντὸς δελφύος στυγνὴν μάχην	
στήσας ἀραγμοῖς πρὸς κασίγνητον χεροῖν,	940
οὔπω τὸ Τιτοῦς λαμπρὸν αὐγάζων φάος,	
οὐδ' ἐκφυγὼν ὧδῖνας ἀλγεινὰς τόκων—	
τοιγάρ πόποι φύξηλιν ἤνδρωσαν σπόρον,	
πύκτην μεν ἐσθλόν, πτῶκα δ' ἐν κλόνω δορός,	
καὶ πλεῖστα τέχναις ὼφελήσαντα στρατόν—	945
δς άμφὶ Κῖριν καὶ Κυλιστάρνου γάνος	
έπηλυς οἴκους τῆλε νάσσεται πάτρας.	
τὰ δ' ἐργαλεῖα, τοῖσι τέτρηνας βρέτας	
τεύξει ποτ' έγχώροισι μερμέραν βλάβην,	
καθιερώσει Μυνδίας ἀνακτόροις.	950

931. For the unwarlike nature and good boxing of Epeius cf.

Il. 23. 665 sqq.

932. Panopeus was father of Epeius. The sons of Pterelaus, chief of the Taphii, had slain the sons of Electryon, and Alcmene, daughter of Electryon, promised to wed the avenger of their death. Amphitryon, aided by Panopeus and others, took the town of Pterelaus through the treachery of Comaetho, daughter of Pterelaus, who was enamoured of Amphitryon, and cut off the golden lock which made her father immortal. Amphitryon had bound his allies by an oath not to secrete any of the booty, and Panopeus broke this oath. Ares and Athene, to punish his perjury, made his son a coward.

935. This refers to the promised marriage of Alcmene and Amphitryon. Scheer, who joins vouc. with Kou., takes it of the

passion of Comaetho for Amphitryon.

936. Athene was called 'Αλοίτις as sceleris vindex; Κυδωνία as

He who shrank back from spears and serried charge, Atoning for the false oath of his sire, Which that wretch once about the captured sheep— When by the host Comaetho's burg was sacked To consummate the lovers' plighted troth— 935 By Crete's War-goddess, the Sin-punisher, Ventured to swear and by Crestona's god, Candaon or Mamertus, battle-wolf: That sire, who in the womb a gruesome fight Fought with his brother, beating him with fists, 940 Ere ever he had seen the Dawn's bright light Or 'scaped the grievous travail-pangs of birth; Wherefore the gods a coward made his son, Good boxer, but a craven facing spears, Most useful to the host through handicraft. 945 By Ciris' and by Cylistarnus' streams A stranger he shall dwell far from his land. The tools with which he joins that wooden shape, That fell destroyer of our citizens, In Myndia's temple he shall consecrate. 950

having a temple in Elis founded from Cydonia in Crete; Θρασώ as goddess of war.

937. Crestona was a district in Thrace (cf. 499). Ares was said to

have his home in Thrace, cf. II. 13. 301, Od. 8. 361, etc. 938.  $\kappa \alpha \nu \delta \dot{\alpha} \omega \nu = \text{Ares}$ ; see on 328. The Oscan-Sabine name of Mars was Mamers, and this became  $\kappa \dot{\alpha} \mu \epsilon \rho \tau \sigma s$  in Greek.

939. The fight between the twin sons of Phocus, Panopeus and Crisus, in their mother's womb foreshadowed the struggle between the Phocian towns, Panopeus and Crisa, for the possession of Delphi.

941. Τιτώ = ἡώς (Hesych.).
946. The Ciris and Cylistarnus were rivers in Lucania. The form of the latter name is uncertain, some reading Κυλιστάνου or Κυλιστάρου.

950. There was a cult of Athene at Myndus in Caria. Epeius built a temple to her in Lucania, and dedicated the tools with which he fashioned the wooden horse. The goddess had helped him to build the horse in three days.

"Αλλοι δ' ἐνοικήσουσι Σικανῶν χθόνα,	
πλαγκτοὶ μολόντες, ἔνθα Λαυμέδων τριπλᾶς	
ναύταις έδωκε Φοινοδάμαντος κόρας,	
ταῖς κητοδόρποις συμφοραῖς ἐεδηγμένος,	
τηλοῦ προθείναι θηροίν ώμησταίς βοράν,	955
μολόντας είς γῆν ἕσπερον Λαιστρυγόνων,	
οπου συνοικεί δαθιλής έρημία.	
αί δ' αὖ παλαιστοῦ μητέρος Ζηουνθίας	
σηκὸν μέγαν δείμαντο, δωτίνην θεᾳ,	
μόρον φυγούσαι καὶ μονοικήτους έδρας,	960
ών δή μίαν Κριμισός, ὶνδαλθεὶς κυνί,	
έζευξε λέκτροις πυταμός· ή δὲ δαίμονι	
τῷ θηρομίκτῳ σκύλακα γενναῖον τεκνοῖ,	
τρισσῶν συνοικιστῆρα καὶ κτίστην τόπων.	
δς δή ποδηγῶν πτόρθον 'Αγχίσου νόθον	965
άξει τρίδειρον νησον είς ληκτηρίαν,	
τῶν Δαρδανείων ἐκ τόπων ναυσθλούμενον.	
Αἰγέστα τλῆμον, σοὶ δὲ δαιμόνων φοαδαῖς	
πένθος μέγιστον καὶ δι' αἰῶνος πάτρας	
έσται πυρός ριπαίσιν ήθαλωμένης.	970

951. Others of the Greeks returning from Troy come to Sicily. For

Σικανῶν see on 870.

953. Phoenodamas persuaded the Trojans to expose Hesione, sister of Priam, to the monster that was ravaging Troy, and thus tried to save his own daughters (see on 470); Laomedon, wroth at this, exposed Phoenodamas' daughters in Sicily, where they were saved by Aphrodite.

955. τηλοῦ, as Holzinger suggests, may refer to Τηλέπυλος, the

Laestrygonian town in Sicily; cf. Od. 10. 82.

957. Most of the Laestrygones had been destroyed by Heracles (see on 662). They were said to dwell near Leontini on the E. coast of Sicily.

958. Aphrodite was mother of the wrestler Eryx (867 n.). For

Zηρυνθία as a title of the goddess see on 449.

961. The Crimisus was a river in S. W. Sicily. Aegesta, one of

Others shall dwell in the Sicanian land, Borne drifting there, where once Laomedon, Goaded by the devouring monster's waste, Gave sailors Phoenodamas' daughters three To place afar as food for savage beasts, 955 Far to the west in Laestrygonian land, Where all around dwells vasty solitude. But they to Cypris, wrestler's mother, built A mighty temple, to the goddess given, When they were saved from death and that lone 960 spot. The river-god Crimisus, in dog's form, Took one of them as bride; to him, half-god, Half-beast, she bore a whelp, a noble son, Who founds three cities as his settlements. He guides and leads Anchises' bastard shoot 965 Unto the three-necked isle's extremity, When sailing thither from Dardanian shores. Hapless Aegesta, by divine decree The greatest lasting sorrow shall be thine For my homeland consumed by rushing fire. 970

the daughters of Phoenodamas, had union with the god of this river, who took the form of a dog, and bore to him a son Aegestes, who founded the cities of Aegesta (Egesta, Segesta), Eryx, and Entella.

Virgil calls Aegestes Acestes (Aen. 5. 36, etc.).

965. Aegestes, during the reign of Priam, came to Troy, took part in the war against the Greeks, and returned to Sicily, bringing with him Elymus, the bastard son of Anchises. Elymus settled at Eryx on

the extreme N. W. of the island.

966. Sicily was called Τρινακρία. from its three promontories

Lilybaeum, Pachynus, and Peloris. For ληκτηρίαν see on 1391.

968. Cassandra imagines that the people of Segesta, of Trojan origin, will bewail the ruin of Troy, and that they will commemorate its downfall as the people of Croton commemorated the death of Achilles (859 supr.).

μόνη δὲ πύργων δυστυγεῖς κατασκαφάς νήπαυστον αλάζουσα καλ γοωμένη δαρον στενάξεις. πας δε λυγαίαν λεώς έσθητα προστρόπαιον έγγλαινούμενος αὐχμώ πινώδης λυπρον άμποεύσει βίον. 975 κρατός δ' ἄκουρος νώτα καλλυνεί φόβη, μνήμην παλαιών τημελούσ' όδυρμάτων. Πολλοί δε Σίριν αμφί και Λευταρνίαν άρουραν ολκήσουσιν, ένθα δύσμορος Κάλχας ολύνθων Σισυφεύς ανηρίθμων 980 κείται, κάρα μάστιγι γογγύλη τυπείς, ρείθροισιν ωκύς ένθα μύρεται Σίνις, άρδων βαθείαν Χωνίας παγκληρίαν. πόλιν δ' όμοίαν Ίλίω δυσδαίμονες νείμαντες άλγυνοῦσι Λαφρίαν κόρην 985 Σάλπιγγα, δηώσαντες εν ναώ θεᾶς τούς πρόσθ' έδεθλον Ξουθίδας ώκηκότας.

978. Many settlements are made by the Greeks after the Trojan war on the Gulf of Tarentum, into which flows the river Siris, on which was the city of the same name; cf. 856. Leutarnia was a district in Calabria between Tarentum and the Iapygian promontory (852 n.).

980. The Schol. says that Heracles when he arrived at the Siris saw Calchas sitting under a fig-tree, and asked him the number of the figs; Calchas replied that there were ten bushels and one fig more; Heracles counted the figs, and, as he vainly tried to make the extra fig fit into the tenth bushel, the seer laughed at him, and Heracles in anger smote him with his fist, and slew him. In 424 sqq. Lycophron said that Calchas died at Colophon, and Tzetzes accuses him of a contradiction here. Geffcken reconciles the two versions by his theory that when the people of Colophon, driven out by the Lydian Gyges, colonised this spot in Italy, the myth was localised there by them. A cenotaph may have been built to Calchas there as in Daunia, 1047 infr. Holzinger assumes that the name Calchas is used generically for any seer, and that Lycophron is not speaking of the Calchas mentioned before.  $\sum_{i} \sigma v \phi \in \dot{v}s = \sigma o \phi \delta s \ \dot{a} \rho i \theta \mu \eta \tau \dot{n} s$  (Schol.): the name  $\sum_{i} (\sigma v \phi o s) v ds$  a reduplication of  $\sigma o \phi \dot{o} s$ , with Aeolic v for o (Curtius).

982. The Siris was also called Sinis (mod. Sinno). Chonia was the

Alone the luckless razing of its towers
With never-ceasing wails and sobbing cries
Thou shalt bemoan for long; and all thy folk,
Robed in the sombre garb of suppliants,
Unkempt and squalid drag out wretched lives.
Their unshorn tresses falling grace their backs,
Keeping alive the memory of old woes.

And nigh to Siris and Leutarnia's fields
Many shall dwell, where fate-doomed Calchas lies,
At counting countless figs a Sisyphus,
980
With his head smitten by a clenched fist's blow,
There, where the Sinis with its swift stream flows,
Watering the deep domain of Chonian land.
A city like to Ilium they take
In evil hour and grieve the Plunder Maid,
985
The Trumpeter, by slaughtering in her shrine
The race of Xuthus who then owned the site.

district on the W. shore of the Tarentine gulf from the promontory of

Lacinium (856) to the Siris.

984. The city of Siris, at the mouth of the river, was said to have been a colony of the Trojans who built a city like Ilium; it was taken from them by Ionians from Colophon, who were in turn expelled by the neighbouring Achaean colonies, Metapontum, Sybaris, and Croton.

Cf. Strab. 6. 264.

985. I adopt provisionally Ciaceri's  $\nu\epsilon i\mu a\nu \tau \epsilon s$ , "taking possession of," "making themselves masters of," for  $\delta\epsilon i\mu a\nu \tau \epsilon s$ . If we give  $\delta\epsilon i\mu a\nu \tau \epsilon s$  its usual meaning, "building," we must, with the Schol., take  $\pi o\lambda\lambda ol$  (978) as Trojan settlers who joined with the Achaeans in expelling the Ionians from Siris. This is at variance with the ordinary tradition, and  $\pi o\lambda\lambda ol$  must refer to the Greeks, as it is their destiny after the fall of Troy which Cassandra is predicting. Keeping  $\delta\epsilon i\mu a\nu \tau \epsilon s$ , "belzinger explains it as  $=\kappa\tau i\sigma a\nu \tau \epsilon s$ , "settling in," a use which he defends by  $\pi \acute{a}\tau \rho a\nu$ .  $\delta\omega \mu \acute{n}\sigma \epsilon \tau a\iota$ , 1271 sq.

**985.** Λαφρία (356 n.) and Σάλπιγξ (915 n.) were titles of Athene. κόρην should, perhaps, be written Kόρην; cf. 359. The statue of

Athene at Siris was said to be the genuine Palladium (363 n.).

987. Xuthus was father of Ion, from whom the Ionians were descended.

γλήναις δ' ἄγαλμα ταῖς ἀναιμάκτοις μύσει,	
στυγνην 'Αχαιών είς 'Ιάονας βλάβην	
λεῦσσον, φόνον τ' ἔμφυλον ἀγραύλων λύκων,	990
όταν θανών λήταρχος ίρείας σκύλαξ	
πρώτος κελαινώ βωμόν αίμάξη βρότω.	
"Αλλοι δε πρώνας δυσβάτους Τυλησίους	
Δίνου θ' άλισμήκτοιο δειραίαν ἄκραν,	
'Αμαζόνος σύγκληρον ἄρσονται πέδον,	995
δούλης γυναικός ζευγλαν ενδεδεγμένοι,	
ην χαλκομίτρου θησσαν ότρηρης κόρης	
πλανῆτιν ἄξει κῦμα πρὸς ξένην χθόνα.	
ης έκπνεούσης λοισθον όφθαλμός τυπείς	
πιθηκομόρφω πότμον Αιτωλώ φθόρω	1000
τεύξει τράφηκι φοινίω τετμημένω.	2000
Κροτωνιαται δ' άστυ πέρσουσίν ποτε	
'Αμαζόνος, φθέρσαντες ἄτρομον κόρην,	
Κλήτην, ἄνασσαν τῆς ἐπωνύμου πάτρας.	
πολλοί δὲ πρόσθεν γαΐαν ἐκ κείνης ὀδὰξ	1005
δάψουσι πρηνιχθέντες, οὐδ' ἄτερ πόνων	1000
πύργους διαρραίσουσι Λαυρήτης γόνοι.	
Οί δ' αὖ Τέρειναν, ἔνθα μυδαίνει ποτοῖς	
'Ωκίναρος γην, φοίβον εκβράσσων ύδωρ,	
Zakivapos filis, porpor expadoour doup,	

988. Cf. 361, where Athene averts her gaze when Cassandra was violated. As the Schol. has ἀδακρύτοις, Scheer reads ἀνικμάντοις. Elsewhere ἀναίμακτος means "unstained with blood," "without bloodshed," and so Holzinger reads ἀναιμάτοις (cf. Il. 5. 340, Aesch. Eum. 302).

993. Other Greeks settled on the E. coast of Bruttium in S. Italy, and were at first subject to the Amazons. The  $\pi\rho\hat{\omega}\nu\epsilon_{S}$   $T\nu\lambda\hat{\eta}\sigma\iota_{O}\iota_{S}$  are unknown: they are probably heights at Caulonia. Ciaceri reads  $\Sigma\nu\lambda\eta\sigma\iota_{O}\nu_{S}$ , i.e. Mount Sila. Holzinger identifies  $\Lambda\iota_{V}\nu_{S}$  with Cape

Cocynthum, north of Caulonia.

995. Clete was nurse of the Amazon Penthesileia, and learning of the death of her mistress before Troy she set out thither, but was driven by a storm to Italy, where she founded a city called after her.

The statue closes up its bloodless eyes,
Seeing the hateful wrongs Achaeans do
To Ion's stock, and wild wolves slaying kin,
990
When the state priest, the priestess' offspring, dies,
And stains the altar first with his dark blood.

Others shall win Tylesus' trackless heights And sea-washed Linum's craggy neck of land, The Amazon's hereditary soil, 995 Putting upon them that slave-woman's yoke, Whom, as a serf of swift bronze-girdled maid, The waves bear roaming to a foreign shore. When that maid breathes her last, her stricken eye Brings doom upon the cursed Aetolian ape, 1000 His body riven by the bloody shaft. Crotonian folk shall sack the city built By Amazon, and slay the fearless maid, Clete, the queen of land that bears her name. But many first fall smitten by her hand, 1005And bite the dust; and not without sore toil Laurete's sons shall overthrow those towers.

And in Tereina, where Ocinarus Waters the earth with pure and gushing floods,

All the succeeding queens bore her name, the last of them being slain by the people of Croton (1002) many generations afterwards. She is said to have been the mother of Caulon, founder of Caulonia, so that her city was probably close to Caulonia, and some identify the two.

997. Some read ' $O\tau\rho\eta\rho\eta s$  (Otrere being mother of Penthesileia). 999. Penthesileia fought for the Trojans and was slain by Achilles, who mourned over the dying queen for her beauty and valour. When the deformed (ape-like) Thersites (cf. Il. 2. 216 sqq.) pierced her eye, Achilles slew him with his spear, which was still wet with her blood.  $\phi\theta\delta\rho\varphi$ , Scheer;  $\phi\theta\delta\rho\rho\nu$ , MSS. Like  $\delta\lambda\epsilon\theta\rho\rho s$ ,  $\phi\theta\delta\rho\rho s$  was used for a pestilent fellow.

1007. Laurete was wife of the hero Croton, from whom the city of

Croton took its name.

άλη κατοικήσουσι κάμινοντες πικρά.	1010
Τὸν δ' αὖ τὰ δευτερεῖα καλλιστευμάτων	
λαβόντα, καὶ τὸν ἐκ Δυκορμαίων ποτῶν	
στρατηλάτην σῦν, καρτερον Γόργης τόκον,	
τη μεν Λίβυσσαν Ψάμπον ἄξουσι πνοαί	
Θρήσσαι ποδωτοῖς ἐμφορούμεναι λίνοις,	1015
τη δ' έκ Διβύσσης αδθις έμπίπτων νότος	
είς 'Αργυρίνους καὶ Κεραυνίων νάπας	
άξει βαρεί πρηστηρι ποιμαίνων άλα,	
ἔνθα πλανήτην λυπρον ὄψονται βίον	
Λακμωνίου πίνοντες Αἴαντος ῥοάς.	1020
Κράθις δὲ γείτων ἠδὲ Μυλάκων ὅροις	
χώρος συνοίκους δέξεται Κόλχων Πόλαις,	
μαστήρας ούς θυγατρός έστειλεν βαρύς	
Αΐας Κυρίνθου τ' ἀρχός, Είδυίας πόσις,	
τὴν νυμφαγωγὸν ἐκκυνηγετῶν τρόπιν,	1025
οΐ πρός βαθεῖ νάσσαντο Διζήρου πόρω.	

1010. For Tereina and the Ocinarus see 726 (n.), 729. Tereina was founded from Croton, but Lycophron apparently is following some legend connecting it with the return of the Achaeans from Troy.

1011. Nireus and Thoas on their homeward voyage are driven by the winds first to Libya and then to Epeirus and Illyria. Nireus was second to Achilles for beauty amongst those Greeks who fought at Troy; cf. 11. 2. 673.

1012. Thoas led the Aetolians against Troy. The Lycormas was a large river in Aetolia, later called the Evenus. The Greek heroes are

often likened to boars for fierceness, e.g. Il. 4. 253.

1017. The Argyrini were a people of Epeirus. The Ceraunian Mountains, projecting into the sea in a long promontory called Acroceraunia, are in the N. W. of Epeirus.

1018. By ποιμαίνων Lycophron seems to mean that the wind drives

the waves as a shepherd drives his flock.

1020. The Aeas was the chief river of Illyria; it was also called Aous (mod. Viosa). Lacmon was the northern part of the range of Mount Pindus.

1021. The Crathis is a river of Illyria not mentioned elsewhere. Holzinger thinks it may be the Hapsus formed by the confluence of two other rivers, for Strabo derives  $K_\rho \hat{\alpha} \theta_{15}$  as the name of a river from

Others shall settle, sad tired wanderers. 1010 Then him whose beauty won him second place, And that boar-chieftain from Lycormas' streams, The valiant son of Gorge, now at first The Thracian gales drive towards the Libyan sands, Straining the sails held in by sheet-lines taut; 1015 From there the south-wind drives them back amid The Argyrini and Ceraunian glens, Sweeping with furious tempest o'er the sea. There they shall see a painful roaming life, Drinking from Aeas which down Lacmon flows. 1020 But neighbouring Crathis and The Stones them take Within their bounds to dwell with Pola's folk. Colchi, whom Aea's, also Corinth's lord, Eidvia's spouse, in wrath sent forth to find His daughter, tracking the bride-bearing barque: 1025

κίρνασθαι. The usual explanation of Mυλάκων is that it is  $= \pi ετρῶν$ , λίθων, the reference being to the story of the Theban Cadmus and Harmonia, his wife, who were turned into serpents, and finally into stone figures on the coast of Illyria. This explanation has to be accepted in default of a better, though μύλαξ has the first syllable short in Homer and the Anthology. Holzinger reads Mυλλάκων, the Mύλλακες, "squinting people," being the Illyrians, the word being formed from μυλλός = iλλός, "squinting."

They settled by Dizerus' waters deep.

1024. Aea was a city on the Phasis in Colchis, and the name was extended to the whole land. Aeetes was ruler of Colchis, and earlier of Corinth, which was given to him by his father Helios when he was dividing his kingdom. When Medea, daughter of Aeetes, was carried off by Jason on the Argo, the Colchians pursued them through the Danube (one branch of which was supposed to discharge into the Adriatic), and, being unable to recover her, and fearing Aeetes' wrath, they settled at Pola on the coast of Illyria. Cf. Ap. Rh. 4. 516.

1026. The name of the river Dizerus was connected with δίζημαι (to

1026. The name of the river Dizerus was connected with  $\delta i \zeta \eta \mu a \iota$  (to seek), referring to the search for Medea. It may be either the Rhizon or the Drilo (Drino).

"Αλλοι δε Μελίτην νήσον 'Οθρωνοῦ πέλας πλαγκτοί κατοικήσουσιν, ήν πέριξ κλύδων έμπλην Παχύνου Σικανός προσμάσσεται, τοῦ Σισυφείου παιδός όχθησαν ἄκοαν 1030 έπωνυμόν ποθ' ύστέρω χρόνω γράφων κλεινόν θ' ίδουμα παοθένου Λογγάτιδος, "Ελωρος ενθα ψυχρον εκβάλλει ποτόν. Παπποκτόνος δ' 'Οθοωνον οἰκήσει λύκος, τηλού πατρωα ρείθρα Κοσκύνθου ποθών. 1035 δς έν θαλάσση χοιράδων βεβώς έπι ρήτρας πολίταις τὰς στρατοπλώτους ἐρεῖ. χέρσου πατρώας οὐ γὰρ ἂν φονῆ ποσὶ Ψαύσαι, μέγαν πλειώνα μή πεφευγότα, δίκης εάσει τάρροθος Τελφουσία 1040 Λάδωνος ἀμφὶ ρείθρα ναίουσα σκύλαξ. όθεν, πεφευγώς έρπετων δεινήν μάχην

1027. Some of the wandering Greeks shall come to Malta. Lycophron seems to confuse the two islands called Mελίτη: (I) Meleda, off the Illyrian coast, (2) Malta, near Sicily. The only Othrorus known to us is an islet off the coast of Epeirus, N. W. of Corcyra (Corfu). Some assume that there was another island near Sicily called Othronus, and Gargiulli identified it with Gozzo, an islet near Malta. Others are of opinion that the source from which Lycophron drew spoke of Meleda, as of other places in the Adriatic, and that Lycophron substituted Malta for Meleda. Ciaceri, taking πλαγκτοί as = πεπλανημένοι, explains the passage as meaning that some of the Greeks were driven first near to the islet of Othronus off Epeirus, and then by contrary winds to Malta, while those who landed and settled in Othronus are described in 1034 sqq. Holzinger has a strange theory that by Othronus Lycophron means Libya, on the ground that Libya was once called 'Οφιοῦσσα, "land of snakes," and that Othronus, from what is said in v. 1042, may also have been so called; thus we get the identification 'Οθρωνός = 'Οφιοῦσσα = Λιβύη.

1029. For Σικανός see 870 n. Odysseus was supposed to have been a natural son of Sisyphus (786 n.). The W. point of Cape Pachynus

in Sicily was called 'Οδυσσεία ἄκρα.

1032.  $\Lambda_0 \gamma \gamma \hat{a} \tau_{is} = \text{Athene (520 n.)}$ . The old commentators wrongly thought that Hecate is meant from the fact that in 1174 sqq. Lycophron tells how Odysseus built a cenotaph in Sicily to Hecuba, fearing the wrath of Hecate.

Others who stray shall near Othronus dwell In Malta's isle, round which Sicanian waves Close to Pachynus break upon the shore, Scoring that headland which in after days 1030 Shall bear the name of son of Sisyphus, And virgin Pallas' fame-exalted shrine, Where the Helorus empties its cold flood. Othronus takes the grandsire-slaying wolf Yearning for his Coscynthus' streams far off. 1035 On a sea-reef he stands, and to his men He tells the compact with armed ships to sail: For that a murderer set foot upon His land before a full year's banishment Forbids Erinys who upholds the right, 1040 Dwelling by Ladon's streams, crime-tracking hound. From here, escaping from a conflict fierce

1033. The Helorus was a river in S. E. Sicily, flowing into the sea

not far from Cape Pachynus.

1034. For Othronus see on 1027. Elephenor unwittingly killed his grandfather Abas, and so was obliged to leave his native land, Euboea, for a year's exile  $(\grave{\alpha}\pi\epsilon\nu\imath\alpha\nu\imath\sigma\mu\acute{o}s)$ . When the expedition against Troy was undertaken he did not return to Euboea, for the term of his exile was not completed, but he summoned his clan, the Abantes, from a rock in the Euripus opposite Euboea, and then led them against Troy. The Coscynthus was a river in Euboea.

1037. The suitors of Helen were bound by an oath to recover her if

carried off (204 n.).

1039. μεγαν πλειῶνα = ὅλον ἐνιαυτόν (Schol.). If this is correct, the use of μεγαs is strange, as ὁ μεγαs ενιαυτός meant cycles of years of varying lengths (see L. and S. s.v. ἐνιαυτός). Ciaceri takes μεγαν πλειῶνα as a long period of time, regarding Elephenor as threatened by the Furies even after his arrival in Othronus, i.e. after the ten years of the Trojan war; see on 1042.

1040. There was a cult of Demeter Erinys at Telphusa in Arcadia;

cf. 153, 1225. Telphusa was on the banks of the Ladon.

1042. We know nothing of how or why Elephenor was driven from the isle of Othronus by serpents. Ciaceri thinks that the allusion is symbolic, and that Elephenor was driven out by the Erinyes, who are constantly represented with snakes on their heads and in their hands.

δρακοντομόρφων, είς 'Αμαντίαν πόλιν	
πλώσει. πέλας δὲ γῆς 'Ατιντάνων μαλών,	
Πράκτιν παρ' αὐτὴν αἰπὺ νάσσεται λέπας,	1045
τοῦ Χαονίτου νᾶμα Πολυάνθου δρέπων.	
Ο δ' Αὐσονείων ἄγχι Κάλχαντος τάφων,	
δυοίν άδελφοίν ἄτερος, ψευδηρίων	
ξένην ἐπ' ὀστέοισιν ὀγχήσει κόνιν.	
δοραῖς δὲ μήλων τύμβον ἐγκοιμωμένοις	1050
χρήσει καθ' υπνον πασι νημερτή φάτιν	
νόσων δ' ἀκεστης Δαυνίοις κληθήσεται,	
όταν κατικμαίνοντες 'Αλθαίνου φοαίς	
άρωγον αὐδήσωσιν Ήπίου γόνον	
άστοῖσι καὶ ποίμναισι πρευμενή μολείν.	1055
ἔσται ποτὲ πρεσβεῦσιν Αἰτωλῶν φάος	
έκει γοηρον και πανέγθιστον φανέν,	
δταν Σαλάγγων γα <i>ῖαν 'Αγγαίσων θ' ἕδη</i>	
μολόντες αιτίζωσι κοιράνου γύας,	
έσθλης ἀρούρης πίαρ ἔγκληρον χθονός.	1060
τούς δ' είς ερεμνον ζωντας ωμησταί τάφον	
κρύψουσι κοίλης εν μυχοίς διασφάγος.	
τοῖς δ' ἀκτέριστον σῆμα Δαυνῖται νεκρῶν	

1043. Amantia (earlier Abantia) was a city in Epeirus, said to have been founded by the Abantes of Euboea. Atintania was a mountainous district in Illyria, east of Chaonia. The Chaones, Thesproti,

and Molossi were the three chief Epeirot tribes.

1045. Πράκτις is unknown; it is said to be a mountain in Epeirus, some identifying it with the promontory of Acroceraunia (1017 n.), the city which Elephenor founded being, perhaps, Oricus. Holzinger reads Πρᾶκτιν, "Avenger" (cf. Πραξιδίκη), and thinks that Elephenor settled by a temple which he built to the Eumenides, the city on the lofty site being Thronium, which was founded by the Abantes.

1047. There was a cenotaph of Calchas, the seer, in Daunia (Apulia); see on 980. Podaleirius, son of Asclepius and brother of

Machaon, came to Apulia after the fall of Troy.

1050. The custom of learning the divine will by εγκοίμησις, incu-

With crawling serpents, to Amantia's town He sails, and near to Atintanian land, Beside Mount Practis, settles on a crag, 1045 And from Chaonian Polyanthes drinks. One in Ausonia near to Calchas' tomb. An empty tomb, one of the brethren twain Shall bear the foreign dust heaped on his bones. And whoso rests on sheepskins on his grave To him in dreams he truly prophesies. A healer too shall Daunian folk him call, When in Althaenus' running streams they bathe, And pray the succouring son of Epius To come in gracious mood to men and flocks. 1055 There once for envoys from Aetolia A sad and most accursed day shall dawn, When to Salangian land, Angaesian homes, They come and ask again for their king's fields, A rich inheritance of good ploughed soil. 1060 Alive in a dark grave the savage folk Shall shut them, at the bottom of a pit. O'er them the Daunians raise as monument,

batio, was common in antiquity; cf. Hdt. 8. 134, Virg. Aen. 7. 95 sqq. 1053. The name of the river Althaenus was connected with ἀλθαίνω, "to heal."

1054. "Haios, "the kindly one," "the assuager," was the original name of Asclepius.

1056. Diomedes (see 620 sqq.) had put a curse on the Daunian land that it should never yield its fruits unless tilled by a countryman of his, and so after some time the Aetolians came to Apulia and asked back their hereditary soil.

1058. Nothing certain is known with regard to the Σάλαγγοι and Αγγαισοι, who, from the context, must be Apulian tribes. The Αγγαισοι may be connected with the "portus Aggasus" (Plin. N.H. 3. II. 103) near Mount Garganus, and the Σάλαγγοι with the Sallentini or with Salapia (cf. 1129).

στήσουσι χωστῷ τροχμάλῳ κατηρεφές,	
χώραν διδόντες, ην περ έχρηζον λαβείν,	1065
του κρατοβρώτος παιδός ἄτρεστου κάπρου.	
Των Ναυβολείων δ' είς Τέμεσσαν έγγόνων	
ναῦται καταβλώξουσιν, ἔνθα Λαμπέτης	
'Ιππωνίου πρηώνος είς Τηθὺν κέρας	
σκληρον νένευκεν. άντι δε Κρίσης ορων	1070
Κροτωνιᾶτιν ἀντίπορθμον αὔλακα	
βοων άροτρεύσουσιν όλκαίψ πτερώ,	
πάτραν Λίλαιαν κάνεμωρείας πέδον	
ποθούντες, "Αμφισσάν τε καὶ κλεινὰς "Αβας.	
Σήταια τλημον, σοι δε προς πέτραις μόρος	1075
μίμνει δυσαίων, ένθα γυιούχοις πέδαις	
οϊκτιστα χαλκείησιν ωργυιωμένη	
θανή, πυρὶ φλέξασα δεσποτών στόλου,	
ἔκβλητον αἰάζουσα Κράθιδος πέλας	
τόργοισιν αλώρημα φοινίοις δέμας.	1080
σπιλάς δ' έκείνη σῆς φερώνυμος τύχης	
πόντον προσαυγάζουσα φημισθήσεται.	

1966. Tydeus, father of Diomedes, fought on the side of Adrastus and Polyneices against Thebes. Wounded by Melanippus, he slew him with his last stroke, and as he lay dying the head of Melanippus was brought to him and he cut it in two and ate the brain. Adrastus had been told by an oracle that one of his daughters was to marry a boar and the other a lion, and he recognized in Tydeus and Polyneices the appointed husbands. Tydeus had on his shield the device of a boar, Polyneices that of a lion (Apollod. 3. 6. 1), or they were clad in the hides of these beasts (Hygin. fab. 69). Cf. Eur. Suppl. 146 sqq., Phoen. 411 sqq.

1067. Schedius and Epistrophus, sons of Iphitus and grandsons of Naubolus, led the Phocians against Troy (N. 2. 517 sqq.). Temessa

was a city on the W. coast of Bruttium.

1068. The form Λαμπέτη is = Λαμπέτεια, and Holzinger seems right in taking the genitive as dependent on Τηθύν, "sea," though Λαμπέτηs is treated as a nominative by the Schol. Clampetia (Λαμπέτεια) and Vibo (Γιππώνιον) mark the extremities N. and S. of the Gulf of Hipponium.

With no due rites, a piled up heap of stones; Thus giving them their wish, the land once held 1065 By son of dauntless brain-devouring boar.

And those who sailed with sons of Naubolus Shall to Temessa come, where the rough horn Of the Hipponian cape dips to the sea Of Lampete. Instead of Crisa's soil 1070 Now the Crotonian furrows oversea They cleave with oxen which the ploughshare draw. Lilaea and Anemoreia's plain They miss; Amphissa too, and Abae's fame. Luckless Setaea! thee upon the rocks 1075 A grievous doom awaits, where chains of bronze Shall hold thy limbs, and thou shalt die outstretched In agony, for burning thy lords' ships, Bemoaning near the Crathis thy poor form Cast forth to hang as bloody vultures' prey. 1080 The scaur which there looks out upon the waves Shall men name after thy calamity.

1070. Crisa, Lilaea, and Anemoreia are mentioned in Il. 2. 520 sqq.

as cities under the sway of Schedius and Epistrophus.

1071. Holzinger takes ἀντίπορθμον not in the usual sense which it bears in 1368 infr., but as describing the opposite position of the Hipponian and Scylletic gulfs on the W. and E. of Bruttium, connected by the narrowest part of Italy, which forms nearly an isthmus. Croton was to the N. of the sinus Scylleticus, and the whole district across to Temessa (1067) was regarded as its

1074. Amphissa was the chief town of the Locri Ozolae, near

Phocis. Abae in Phocis was famous for its oracle of Apollo.

1075. Setaea was a captive Trojan woman who was crucified for setting fire to the Greek ships near Sybaris on the homeward voyage;

1079. For the Crathis at Sybaris cf. 919. Distinguish the Illyrian

river, 1021.

Οί δ' αὖ Πελασγῶν ἀμφὶ Μέμβλητος ῥοὰς νησόν τε Κερνεατιν έκπεπλωκότες ύπερ πόρον Τυρσηνον έν Λαμητίαις 1085 δίναισιν οἰκήσουσι Λευκανών πλάκας. Καὶ τοὺς μὲν ἄλγη ποικίλαι τε συμφοραί ανοστον αιάζοντας έξουσιν τύχην, έμων έκατι δυσγάμων ρυσταγμάτων. ουδ' οί χρόνω μολύντες ασπαστώς δόμους 1090 εὐκταῖον ἐκλάμψουσι θυμάτων σέλας, χάριν τίνοντες Κερδύλα Λαρυνθίω. τοιαίσδ' έχίνος μηχαναίς οἰκοφθορών, παραιολίξει τὰς ἀλεκτόρων πικρὰς στεγανόμους ὄρνιθας. οὐδὲ ναυφάγοι 1095 λήξουσι πένθους δυσμενείς φρυκτωρίαι,

1083-86. This passage is most obscure, as we cannot fix the meaning of the three words  $\Pi \in \lambda \alpha \sigma \gamma \hat{\omega} \nu$ ,  $M \in \mu \beta \lambda \eta \tau \sigma s$ , and  $K \in \rho \nu \in \hat{\alpha} \tau \iota \nu$ . The old commentators thought that the "Pelasgians" are the Greeks returning from Troy (taking Πελασγών with of); that the Membles is a river in Italy; and that νησος Κερνεατις is the island of Κέρνη (presumably that mentioned in 18 supr., which, however, was on the W. coast of Africa). The structure of the opening lines of preceding paragraphs (e.g. 1008, 1047) renders it improbable that Πελασγών goes with οί δ' av. If the Membles is a river in Italy, it may, as Grotefend suggested, be the Melpes in Lucania; the original inhabitants of Lucania, being Oenotrians and Chones, were of Pelasgic stock. For Κερνεατιν Grotefend would read Κυρνεατιν (= Corsica, Κύρνος). Ciaceri holds that the island is Melos in the Aegaean, Kepvearis referring to the pottery (κέρνος) for which it was famous. It was peopled by Pelasgians. Pliny mentions Membles as a name of Melos, and Ciaceri assumes that there was a river there of that name. The meaning then would be that some of the Greeks returning from Troy arrived off the Pelasgian island of Melos and were then driven by a gale across to Italy. This is simpler than Holzinger's explanation, "others sail out from the Membles, from Pelasgian streams, '; Μέμβλης (= Μεμβλίαρος, son of Cadmus, = Φοινιξ) meaning a river in Carthaginian territory, viz. in Sardinia, which was also Pelasgian; from there the Locrians and Thespians were driven out by Trojan fugitives and founded Medma in Lucania; Kepreatis being an epithet describing the nuraghi or towerSome near the Membles, a Pelasgian stream,
And Cerneatic island sailing back
Shall dwell beyond the Tuscan strait hard by 1085
Lametus' eddies in Lucania's fields.

Thus woes and varied troubles shall beset
All those, who wail their doom without return,
By reason of my lawless ravishment.
E'en those who gladly reach their homes at last 1090
Shall light no votive flames of sacrifice,
Thank-offering to Zeus, who riches brings.
So craftily that hedgehog spoils their homes,
And tricks the hens, the guardians of the house,
To plot against the cocks. Yet his own grief 1095
No vengeful wrecking beacons shall assuage—

shaped corn-stores in Sardinia, as πέρνος was specially used of a vessel or dish with cups in which fruits of different kinds were offered to the gods (Athen. II. 476). Holzinger thus takes ἐκπεπλωκότες of Greeks sailing out, not from Troy, but from Sardinia to Lucania, and thinks that the nuraghi were described as "Pelasgian" buildings.

1085. The πόρος Τυρσηνός is the Straits of Messina; cf. 649. The

Lametus flows into the Gulf of Hipponium (1068 n.).

1087. The disasters of the Greeks who failed to reach their homes are attributed to the violence offered to Cassandra by the Locrian Ajax; see 365 sqq.

1090. Cassandra predicts the woes of the Greeks who do reach their homes, some of them being cut down before they can make

sacrifice (σωτήρια, χαριστήρια) for their safe return.

1092. Zeus is called  $K \epsilon \rho \delta \dot{\nu} \lambda \alpha s$ , as elsewhere he is called  $\kappa \tau \dot{\eta} \sigma \iota \sigma s$ ,  $\pi \lambda \sigma \iota \sigma \iota \sigma s$ , and  $\delta \dot{\omega} \tau \omega \rho \dot{\epsilon} \dot{\alpha} \omega \nu$ . Some explain the title from the rich gifts which the god received, comparing  $K \epsilon \rho \delta \dot{\omega} \sigma s$  used of Apollo (208 supr.). The title  $\Lambda \alpha \rho \dot{\nu} \nu \theta \iota \sigma s$  is obscure; Canter derives it from some unknown city, while Gargiulli connects it with the Etruscan  $L \alpha r$ .

1093. Nauplius not only wrecked the Greek ships (385 n.), but also induced the wives of the Greek heroes (Agamemnon, Idomeneus, Diomedes, etc.) to be faithless to their lords. Pliny (N.H. 8. 37. 133) describes the cunning of the hedgehog (erinaceus) in curling itself into a prickly ball when attacked, etc.

πτόρθου διαρραισθέντος, δυ νεοσκαφές κρύψει ποτ' έν κλήροισι Μηθύμνης στέγος.

Ο μεν γαρ αμφί χύτλα τας δυσεξόδους ζητων κελεύθους αυχενιστήρος βρόχου 1100 έν αμφιβλήστρω συντεταργανωμένος τυφλαίς ματεύσει χερσί κρυσσωτούς ραφάς. θερμήν δ' ύπαὶ λουτρώνος άρνεύων στέγην, τιβηνα καὶ κύπελλον ἐγκάρω ῥανεῖ, τυπείς σκεπάρνω κόγχον εὐθήκτω μέσον. 1105 οίκτρα δὲ πέμφιξ Ταίναρον πτερύξεται, λυπράν λεαίνης είσιδοῦσ' οἰκουρίαν. έγω δε δροίτης άγχι κείσομαι πέδω, Χαλυβδικώ κνώδοντι συντεθραυσμένη, έπεί με, πεύκης πρέμνον ή στύπος δρυός 1110 όπως τις ύλοκουρός έργάτης όρεύς, ρήξει πλατύν τένοντα καὶ μετάφρενον, καὶ πᾶν λακίζουσ' ἐν φοναῖς ψυχρὸν δέμας δράκαινα διψάς, κἀπιβᾶσ' ἐπ' αὐχένος, πλήσει γέμοντα θυμὸν ἀγρίας χολῆς, 1115 ώς κλεψίνυμφον, κου δορίκτητον γέρας

1097. Palamedes, son of Nauplius, was stoned to death by the Greeks before Troy on a false charge of treachery concocted by Odysseus. He was buried at Methymna in Lesbos.

1099. Agamemnon was murdered by Clytaemnestra, who entangled him in a robe thrown over his head in the bath. The openings in the robe for the head and arms had been stitched up. It was a costly robe; cf. Aesch. Ag. 1383 (where it is also called ἀμφίβληστρον),

πλοῦτον είματος κακόν.

1102. The reading τυφλαίς is preferable to τυφλάς; cf. ἀμαυραίς

χερσίν Soph. O.C. 1639; τυφλην χέρα Eur. Phoen. 1699.

1103. Holzinger and Ciaceri assume that λουτρώνος here means the bath itself (πυέλου Schol.), which, they think, was partly covered over. 1104.  $\tau \iota \beta \hat{\eta} \nu \alpha = \tau \delta \nu \ \tau \rho \iota \pi \delta \alpha$ .  $\kappa \dot{\nu} \pi \epsilon \lambda \lambda \delta \nu = \tau \delta \ \dot{\alpha} \gamma \gamma \epsilon \hat{\iota} \delta \nu \ \tau \delta \hat{\nu} \ \tau \delta \delta \delta s$ (Schol.).

1106. At Taenarum in Laconia was an entrance to the underworld;

cf. 90 supr.

Grief for slain scion, whom a new-dug grave Within Methymna's bounds shall one day hide.

One in his bath, while he an outlet seeks, An outlet hard to find, from throttling noose, 1100 Entangled in the meshes of the net Gropes with blind hands among the tasselled seams. Up springs he towards the bathroom's steaming roof, And brains besplash the cauldron and its stand, When by the axe's edge his skull is pierced. 1105 To Taenarum his sad ghost flies: it saw The dire housekeeping of that lioness. And I beside the bath shall fall and lie Hacked by the sword forged of Chalybian steel; For, as a pine trunk or an oaken stem 1110 Is cleft by toiling woodman on the hills, She cleaves my broad neck-sinew and my back, And tears all my cold flesh with bloody wounds; Fell snake, she plants her foot upon my throat, And gluts her passion full of savage gall; 1115 As though I were his mistress, not war's prize,

<sup>1107.</sup> In Aesch. Ag. 1258 Clytaemnestra is described as δίπους λέαινα συγκοιμωμένη | λύκω (i.e. Aegisthus), λέοντος (i.e. Agam.) εὐγενοῦς ἀπουσία.

<sup>1108.</sup> Clytaemnestra slays Cassandra after Agamemnon; cf. Od. 11. 421 sqq., Pind. Pyth. 11. 17, Aesch. Ag. 1149.

<sup>1109.</sup> The Chalybes were a people in Pontus famous for their iron mines and preparation of steel.

<sup>1114.</sup> The  $\delta_i\psi$  as was the most venomous viper of Arabia and Africa, its bite causing intense thirst. In the comparison of Clytaemnestra to a snake or viper, and the slaying of that viper by Orestes (1120), there is a reference to the belief that the female viper at the time of coition bites through the head of the male, and that at the moment of parturition she is slain by her young, who tear her womb, thus avenging, as it were, their sire's death. Orestes avenged Agamemnon by slaying his mother Clytaemnestra and her paramour Aegisthus.

δύσζηλος αστέμβακτα τιμωρουμένη. βοώσα δ' οὐ κλύοντα δεσπότην πόσιν, θεύσω κατ' "χνος ηνεμωμένη πτεροίς. σκύμνος δὲ πατρὸς κῆρα μαστεύων φόνου 1120 είς σπλάγχν' εχίδνης αυτόγειο Βάψει ξίφος. κακὸν μίασμ' ἔμφυλον ἀλθαίνων κακώ. Έμος δ' ἀκοίτης, δμωίδος νύμφης ἄναξ, Ζεύς Σπαρτιάταις αίμύλοις κληθήσεται, τιμάς μεγίστας Οίβάλου τέκνοις λαγών. 1125 ου μην εμον νώνυμνον ανθρώποις σεβας ἔσται, μαρανθεν αὖθι ληθαίω σκότω. ναὸν δέ μοι τεύξουσι Δαυνίων ἄκροι Σάλπης παρ' ὄχθαις, οί τε Δάρδανον πόλιν ναίουσι, λίμνης ἀγχιτέρμονες ποτών. 1130 κουραι δε παρθένειον εκφυγείν ζυγον όταν θέλωσι, νυμφίους άρνούμεναι, τους Εκτορείοις ηγλαϊσμένους κόμαις, μορφης έγοντας σίφλον η μωμαρ γένους, έμον περιπτύξουσιν ωλέναις βρέτας, 1135 άλκαρ μέγιστον κτώμεναι νυμφευμάτων,

1122. Cf. the proverbial expression κακδν κακφ λασθαι, and Eurip. Orest. 508, 1587.

1123. Agamemnon had brought back Cassandra from Troy by right

of conquest to share his couch.

1124. There was a cult of Zeus Agamemnon at Sparta; cf. 335, 1369. The duplicity of the Spartan character is bitterly denounced in Eur. Andr. 445 sqq.

1125. Oebalus, father of Tyndareus, was a king of Sparta, where he was honoured with a  $\eta \rho \hat{\varphi} o \nu$ . The patronymic Oebalides was applied

to the Spartans generally.

1128. Lycophron here mentions a temple and statue of Cassandra (Alexandra "the man-averter") in Daunia (Apulia). Her worship in Lower Italy was distinct from that in Laconia, where, as Pausanias mentions (3. 19. 5, 26. 3), there were temples and statues of her at Amyclae and Leuctra. For her identification with the old Laconian goddess Alexandra ( $\sigma\omega\sigma i\pi o\lambda\iota s$ ) see Pauly-Wissowa.

She vengeance takes with ruthless jealousy.

Calling my lord and spouse, who hears me not,

I hasten after him on wafting wings.

The hound who tracks his father's murderous

doom

1120

Shall plunge his sword into that viper's heart, Healing kin-slaughter's taint by slaving kin.

Yet shall my spouse, the captive maiden's lord, 'Mongst shifty Spartans bear the name of Zeus, Most honoured by the sons of Oebalus. 1125 And my own glory shall not be unknown On earth, nor fade in dark forgetfulness. For me shall Daunian chieftains build a shrine By Salpa's banks, and likewise citizens Of Dardanus who dwell hard by the marsh. 1130 And maidens, when they wish to shun the yoke Of wedlock and refuse those suitors' pleas, Who, though like Hector glorying in their locks, Have blemished forms or blot upon their house, Shall clasp my statue in their arms' embrace, -1135And sure protection win from bridal-rites,

1129. The city of  $\sum \alpha \lambda \alpha \pi / \alpha$  (mod. Salpi) in Apulia was separated from the sea by a salt-water lake, the *Salapina Palus*, from which there is now an artificial outlet to the sea through the bank of sand which divides them.

1130. Pliny (N.H. 3. 11. 104) mentions a people in Daunia called Dardi, who were destroyed by Diomedes. These people came to be identified mythologically with the Dardani of the Troad. Their city was near the Lago di Salpi.

1133. Hector's locks were famous in antiquity, and there was a way

of dressing the hair known as Έκτόρειος (Pollux 2. 29).

1135. Cassandra herself had shunned all lovers, even the god Apollo (348 sqq.). She had looked for help to the statue of Athene when Ajax offered her violence (359 sqq.).

'Ερινύων ἐσθῆτα καὶ ῥέθους βαφὰς	
πεπαμέναι θρόνοισι φαρμακτηρίοις.	
κείναις έγω δηναιον ἄφθιτος θεὰ	
ραβδηφόροις γυναίξιν αὐδηθήσομαι.	1140
Πένθος δὲ πολλαῖς παρθένων τητωμέναις	
τεύξω γυναιξίν αὖθις, αἳ στρατηλάτην	
άθεσμόλεκτρον, Κύπριδος ληστήν θεᾶς,	
δαρον στένουσαι κληρον είς ανάρσιον	
πέμψουσι παΐδας ἐστερημένας γάμων.	1145
Λάρυμνα, καὶ Σπερχειέ, καὶ Βοάγριε,	
καὶ Κῦνε, καὶ Σκάρφεια, καὶ Φαλωριάς,	
καὶ Ναρύκειον ἄστυ, καὶ Θρονίτιδες	
Λοκρῶν ἀγυιαί, καὶ Πυρωναῖαι νάπαι,	
καὶ πᾶς 'Οδοιδύκειος 'Ιλέως δόμος,	1150
ύμεῖς ἐμῶν ἕκατι δυσσεβῶν γάμων	
ποινὰς Γυγαία τίσετ' 'Αγρίσκα θεᾶ,	
τὸν χιλίωρον τὰς ἀνυμφεύτους χρόνον	
πάλου βραβείαις γηροβοσκούσαι κόρας.	
αίς ακτέριστος εν ξένη ξέναις τάφος	1155
ψάμμω κλύδωνος λυπρός ἐκκλυσθήσεται,	
όταν ακάρποις γυῖα συμφλέξας φυτοῖς	
"Ηφαιστος είς θάλασσαν ἐκβράσση σποδὸν	
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1138. Scheer reads πεπασμέναι, "besprinkled," putting a comma

after βρέτας (1135) and after βαφάς (1137).

1141. Cassandra describes the affliction which shall come upon the Locrians as a result of her outrageous treatment by the Locrian Ajax, son of Oileus; see 357 sqq. When the Locrians returned from Troy, a pestilence wasted their land, and Apollo declared that they must send every year for 1,000 years two maidens for the temple service of Athene at Troy. The Trojans were bound to pursue and try to slay them when they came; those of them who succeeded in escaping to the temple of Athene were spared, and remained in the service of the goddess during their lifetime, while those who were slain had to be replaced by others sent out from Locris.

1146 sqq. These names of places mark out the extent of the Locrian

Like Furies, robed in black, and on their cheeks A tinge acquired by juice of magic herbs. Yea, by these women, bearing Furies' rods, Immortal goddess long shall I be called. 1140 But grief to many mothers shall I cause, Reft of their virgin daughters, who that chief, That lawless wencher, pillager of love, Shall long bewail, and to a hostile land Send forth their daughters of all nuptials robbed. 1145 Larma, Spercheius, and Boagrius, Cynus, Scarpheia, and Phalorias, Thou Naryx' city, and ye Locrian streets Of Thronium, ye Pyronaean vales, Thy house, Hodoedocus, Oileus' sire,— 1150 All ye, through impious love-wrongs done to me, To Gygas' Rustic goddess shall atone, And for a thousand years shall choose by lot And nurture maids unwed from youth to age. Their riteless grave, poor strangers in strangeland, 1155 Upon the sands the waves shall wash away, What time Hephaestus burns with barren wood The limbs, and in the sea the ashes casts

dominion. I have used the mod. Larma as = Larymna. Spercheius and Boagrius were rivers.

1149. Holzinger reads Πυρηναΐαι from Πυρά (Liv. 36, 30), i.e. the

part of Mount Oeta where Heracles' pyre was erected.

1152. Ciaceri explains Γυγαία as = Iliensis; Gygas being a cape in the Troad. It was the Trojan Athene whose temple Ajax desecrated. See also Pauly-Wissowa. Athene is called 'Αγρίσκα as goddess of agriculture.

1155. The dead maidens were burned and their ashes cast on the

shore, where the waves washed them away.

1157. To obviate the metrical difficulty, Hermann transposed ὅταν and outois (for otav ending a line cf. Soph. O.C. 659); Scheer reads ěπην.

τῆς ἐκ λόφων Τράρωνος ἐφθιτωμένης.	
άλλαι δὲ νύκτωρ ταῖς θανουμέναις Ίσαι	1160
Σιθωνος είς θυγατρός ίξονται γύας,	
λαθραΐα κάκκέλευθα παπταλώμεναι,	
έως αν είσθρέξωσιν 'Αμφείρας δόμους	
λιταίς Σθένειαν "ικτιδες γουνούμεναι.	
θεᾶς δ' ὀφελτρεύσουσι κοσμοῦσαι πέδον,	1165
δρόσω τε φοιβάσουσιν, αστεργῆ χόλου	
άστων φυγούσαι. πας γάρ Ίλιεὺς άνηρ	
κόρας δοκεύσει, πέτρον εν χεροῖν έχων,	
η φάσγανον κελαινόν, η ταυροκτόνον	
στερράν κύβηλιν, ή Φαλακραΐον κλάδον,	1170
μαιμων κορέσσαι χείρα διψωσαν φόνου.	
δημος δ' άνατεὶ τὸν κτανόντ' ἐπαινέσει,	
τεθμῷ χαράξας, τοὐπιλώβητον γένος.	
3Ω μῆτερ, ὧ δύσμητερ, οὐδὲ σὸν κλέος	
ἄπυστον ἔσται, Περσέως δὲ παρθένος	1175
Βριμώ Τρίμορφος θήσεταί σ' έπωπίδα	

1159. Traron is said to have been a headland in the Troad. Apparently the first of the Locrian maidens threw herself down from it to escape the pursuing Trojans. The Schol. on 1141 says that the ashes of all the Locrian maidens who died at Troy were cast from Traron into the sea. Lycophron is following Timaeus, but we have not the original, and the notes of the Schol. and Tzetz. are confused and inconsistent. Bachmann would construe the sentence as follows:— ὅταν . . . "Ηφαιστος τῆς ἐφθιτωμένης σποδον ἐκ λόφων Τράρωνος εἰς θάλ. ἐκβράσση (i.e. the ashes of each of the slain maidens were cast into the sea from Traron), comparing for the very harsh hyperbaton 84 sq., 104-6, 286 sq., 807 sq., 1172 sq., etc. Scaliger read τνήρωνος = columbae = puellae Locrensis. For other explanations see Holzinger and Ciaceri.

1161. Σιθώνος: 583 n. Lycophron is referring to the Troad generally.

1162. Hermann's κάκ (= κατά) κέλευθα is adopted by Scheer and

Holzinger.

1163. 'Aμφείρα is a title of Athene of unknown meaning. Holzinger suggests that it may be connected with 'Aμβουλία, a title under which

Of her who met her death from Traron's heights. And other maids, like victims doomed to die. To Sithon's daughter's fields shall come by night, With frightened glances seeking secret paths, Until they rush into Ampheira's house And on their knees implore Stheneia's help. This goddess' temple they shall sweep and deck, 1165 And cleanse by sprinkling, sheltered from the wrath Of ruthless burghers; for each man in Troy Shall watch these maidens, holding in his hand A stone, or sword's dark blade, or cleaver hard Such as fells oxen, or Idaean shaft, 1170 Eager to glut his hand that thirsts for blood. Immune and praised by the folk's graven law Shall be the man who slavs that race despised. Mother, poor mother! not unknown also Shall be thy fame; for Brimo, Perses' child, 1175

the goddess had an altar at Sparta (Paus. 3. 13. 4). Ciaceri refers it to the swathed  $(\mathring{a}\mu\phi i - \epsilon \mathring{i}\rho\omega)$  Palladium (363 n.) illustrated in Roscher, Lex. I, 690. She was honoured as  $\Sigma\theta\epsilon\nu\iota\dot{a}s$  (=  $\Sigma\theta\dot{\epsilon}\nu\epsilon\iota\dot{a}$ ), "Goddess of Might," at Troezen; cf. Bía, 520.

Triformed, shall make thee an attendant hound

1169. κελαινόν: see on v. 7.

1170. Phalacra was a peak of Mount Ida near Troy; cf. 24. κλάδον may mean a spear-shaft (Schol.) or a club.

1174. Hecuba's fame shall endure, like that of Agamemnon (1123)

and Cassandra (1126).

1175. Hecate was said to be a daughter of the Titan Perses (here

called Perseus) and Asteria; cf. Hes. Theog. 409.

1176. Βριμώ was a title of Hecate, who in some cults was identified with Persephone (see on 'Οβριμώ, 698) and Artemis. She had dominion in the air, on earth, and in Hades. In some legends she had three bodies or heads, of a horse, a dog, and a lion.  $\epsilon \pi \omega \pi i \delta \alpha$  (=  $\epsilon \pi i \sigma \kappa o \pi o \nu$ ) are both recognized by the Schol. Holzinger derives  $\epsilon \pi \omega \pi i s$  from  $\epsilon \pi \omega$  and  $\epsilon \omega \psi$ , because the hound follows every movement of its master with its eyes. For the hounds of Hecate cf. Ap. Rh. 3. 1216, Virg. Aen. 6. 257.

κλαγγαΐσι ταρμύσσουσαν εννύχοις βρυτούς, όσοι μεδούσης Στρυμόνος Ζηρυνθίας δείκηλα μη σέβουσι λαμπαδουχίαις, θύσθλοις Φεραίαν έξακεύμενοι θεάν. 1180 ψευδήριον δε νησιωτικός στόνυξ Πάγυνος έξει σεμνον έξ ονειράτων ταίς δεσποτείαις ωλέναις ωγκωμένον ρείθρων Ελώρου πρόσθεν έκτερισμένης. δο δή παρ' άκταῖς τλήμονος βανεῖ γοάς. 1185 τριαύχενος μήνιμα δειμαίνων θεάς, λευστήρα πρώτον ουνεκεν ρίψας πέτρον "Αιδη κελαινών θυμάτων ἀπάρξεται. Σύ δ', ω ξύναιμε, πλείστον έξ έμης φρενός στερχθείς, μελάθρων έρμα καὶ πάτρας όλης, 1190 ούκ είς κενον κρηπίδα φοινίξεις φόνω ταύρων, ἄνακτι των 'Οφίωνος θρόνων πλείστας απαρχάς θυμάτων δωρούμενος. άλλ' άξεταί σε πρός γενεθλίαν πλάκα την έξόχως Γραικοίσιν έξυμνημένην, 1195 όπου σφε μήτηρ ή πάλης έμπείραμος την πρόσθ' άνασσαν εμβαλούσα Ταρτάρω ωδίνας έξέλυσε λαθραίας γονης,

1178. The Strymon (cf. 417) was in Thrace, where Hecate was worshipped. For Zηρυνθία see on 77.

1180. There was a cult of Hecate at Pherae in Thessaly.

1181. Odysseus built a cenotaph to Hecuba at Cape Pachynus in S. E. Sicily (cf. 1029). The Helorus (cf. 1033) enters the sea not far from Pachynus.

1184. ἐκτερισμένης: cf. 908 n.

1185. Lycophron is here following a different tradition from that in 330 sqq., where Hecuba is stoned by the Thracian Dolonci, and not, as here, by the Greeks led by Odysseus, to whom she had been given as a prize of war. After the murder Hecate frightened Odysseus by visions until he appeased the shade of Hecuba by building the cenotaph in Sicily.

With nightly howls those mortals to affright Who honour not the statues of the queen Of Strymon and Zerynthus with the torch, Placating Pherae's goddess with slain kine. 1180 Thy empty tomb Pachynus, island-cape, Shall bear, a holy tomb raised by the hands Of thy own master, urged thereto by dreams, To rest thy soul at the Helorus' mouth; By it to the poor dead he offerings pours, 1185 Fearing the triple-headed goddess' wrath, For, casting at thee the first murderous stone, To Hades he black sacrifice begins.

And thou, my brother, dearest to my heart, Prop of our house and our whole fatherland, 1190 Not idly reddenest thou the altar-stone With blood of bulls, the firstlings offering up To him who rules upon Ophion's throne; For he shall bring thee to his native land, Hymned by the Greeks above all other lands, Where once his mother, versed in wrestler's art, Who hurled the former queen to Tartarus, In secret travail-pangs gave birth to him,

1188. κελαινων: see on v. 7. The murder is spoken of as an offering to Hades.

1190. For Hector as pillar of his country see 281 sqq.

1192. Ophion, a Titan, was wedded to Eurynome, and held swav in heaven before the reign of Cronos and Rhea; being overthrown by them, he and Eurynome were hurled into Tartarus.

1194. Thebes, according to one legend, was the birthplace of Zeus. The Thebans, suffering from pestilence, were bidden by the oracle of Apollo to bring to Thebes the bones of Hector from Troy.

1195. Γραικοί (cf. 532, 891) was the old name of the "Ελληνες. Aristotle (Meteor. 1. 14) says they were the dwellers in the most ancient Hellas about Dodona. For another meaning of the name see on 1338 infr.

τὰς παιδοβρώτους ἐκφυγοῦσ' ὁμευνέτου	
θοίνας ἀσέπτους, οὐδ' ἐπίανεν βορα	1200
νηδύν, τον αντίποινον εκλάψας πέτρον,	
εν γυιοκόλλοις σπαργάνοις είλημένον,	
τύμβος γεγώς Κένταυρος ωμόφρων σποράς.	
νήσοις δε μακάρων εγκατοικήσεις μέγας	
ήρως, άρωγὸς λοιμικῶν τοξευμάτων,	1205
όπου σε πεισθείς 'Ωγύγου σπαρτός λεώς	
χρησμοῖς Ἰατροῦ Λεψίου Τερμινθέως	
έξ 'Οφρυνείων ηρίων ανειρύσας	
άξει Καλύδνου τύρσιν 'Αόνων τε γην	
σωτῆρ', ὅταν κάμνωσιν ὑπλίτη στρατῷ	1210
πέρθουτι χώραν Τηνέρου τ' ἀνάκτορα.	
κλέος δε σον μέγιστον Έκτήνων πρόμοι	
λοιβαΐσι κυδανούσιν άφθίτοις ίσον.	
"Ηξει δὲ Κνωσσὸν κἀπὶ Γόρτυνος δόμους	
τουμον ταλαίνης πημα, πᾶς δ' ἀνάστατος	1215
έσται στρατηγών οίκος. οὐ γὰρ ήσυχος	
πορκεύς δίκωπον σέλμα ναυστολών έλά,	

1199. Rhea saved the infant Zeus from being devoured by Cronos by substituting a stone (400 n.).

1203. Cronos, like the Centaurs, was διφυήs, having taken the form

of a horse when begetting Cheiron.

1204. The Acropolis at Thebes in Bocotia was called μακάρων νησοι (Hesych., Suid.). Herodotus (3. 26) gives the same name to a place not far from Thebes in Egypt. Usually the "Isles of the Blest," where the heroes dwell after this life, are said to be in the western ocean beyond the Pillars of Heracles (Strab. 3. 150).

1206. The Thebans were said to have sprung from the dragon's teeth sown by Cadmus. Ogygus was a king of the earliest inhabitants of Boeotia, the  $\kappa \tau_{\eta \nu \epsilon s}$  (1212 infr.; cf. 433). According to one

legend Cadmus was a son of his.

1207. Apollo, the god of healing, was called  $\Lambda \epsilon \psi \iota \sigma s$  from Lepsia. an islet off Caria (cf. 1454). The title  $T \epsilon \rho \mu \iota \nu \theta \sigma s$ , the terebinth-tree used in medicine.

1208. 'Οφρύνειον was a small town in N. Troas where Hector was

buried.

Safe from the impious banquets of her spouse,
The child-devourer. He then failed to glut 1200
His paunch with flesh, but gulped instead a stone
Wrapped round with limb-confining swaddling
clothes,—

He, the fierce Centaur, his own children's tomb.

Upon the blessed islands thou shalt dwell
A mighty hero, plague-shafts to avert,
When the Sown-folk of Ogygus obey
The Healer, Lepsian and Terminthian god,
And take and bring from Ophryneian mound
Thee to Calydnus' fort, to Aon's land,
To save them when sore pressed by warring force 1210
Wasting the land and shrines of Tenerus.
And the Ectenian chiefs with sacrifice
To godlike glory shall exalt thy name.

To Cnossus also and to Gortyn's homes
Shall spread my luckless bane, and quite o'erthrown 1215

Shall be the rulers' house; for restlessly His two-oared skiff that fisherman shall ply,

1209. Calydna was an old name of Thebes, derived from Calydnus, son of Uranus, who was the first king of the land and predecessor of Ogygus. He strengthened the city with walls. The Aones were dwellers in Boeotia who succeeded the Ectenes when they were destroyed by a pestilence.

1211. Tenerus, son of Apollo, was a soothsayer and priest in the temple of the Ptoan Apollo in Boeotia (265 n.). The N. W. portion

of the plain of Thebes was called το Τηνερικον πεδίον.

1214. The troubles of the house of the Cretan Idomeneus are part of the penalty to be paid by the Greeks for the violation of Cassandra by Ajax. Idomeneus and Meriones were leaders of the Cretans against Troy. Cnossus and Gortyn are Cretan towns.

1217. Nauplius wrecked the Greek ships at Caphareus (385 n.), and instigated the wives of the absent heroes to intrigue against their

husbands (1093 n.).

Λεύκον στροβήσων φύλακα τῆς μοναργίας, ψυδραίσιν έχθραν μηγαναίς αναφλέγων. δς ούτε τέκνων φείσετ', ούτε συγγάμου 1220 Μήδας δάμαρτος, ηγριωμένος φρένας. οὐ Κλεισιθήρας θυγατρός, ης πατηρ λέχος θρεπτώ δράκοντι συγκαταινέσει πικρόν. πάντας δ' ἀνάγνοις χερσίν έν ναφ κτενεί, λώβαισιν αἰκισθέντας 'Ογκαίου βόθρου. 1225 Γένους δὲ πάππων τῶν ἐμῶν αῦθις κλέος μέγιστον αὐξήσουσιν ἄμναμοί ποτε, αίχμαῖς τὸ πρωτόλειον ἄραντες στέφος, γῆς καὶ θαλάσσης σκῆπτρα καὶ μοναργίαν λαβόντες. οὐδ' ἄμνηστον, ἀθλία πατρίς, 1230 κύδος μαρανθέν έγκατακρύψεις ζόφω. τοιούσδ' έμός τις σύγγονος λείψει διπλούς σκύμνους λέοντας, έξοχον δώμη γένος,

1218. Idomeneus had found Leucus exposed as an infant, and brought him up as his own son. On setting out to Troy he entrusted to him his kingdom, and promised him his daughter Cleisithera in marriage on his return. Leucus, instigated by Nauplius, first seduced Meda, wife of Idomeneus, and then murdered her and her daughter and her two sons. Idomeneus, on his return, was driven out by Leucus, or, according to another version, he blinded Leucus and then fled from Crete. Lycophron makes him end his days at Colophon (see 424 sqq.).

1219. ἀναφλέγων: so Scheer (from the Schol. ἐκκαίων καὶ ἀναζω-

πυρών) for αναπλέκων.

1225. 'Ογκαία was a title of Demeter considered as Erinys (cf. 153, 1040), "Ογκαί being a city in Arcadia where Demeter was honoured. Bachmann joins ἐν ναῷ 'Ογκαίον βόθρον, "ut templum Cereris 'Ογκαίαs indicetur, cui in subterraneo specu horribilia sacra fiebant." I follow Holzinger's view that the murder in the temple of a deity unnamed recalled the bloody ritual at sacrifices to Hades, 'Ογκαία being used for Erinys, and this for the gods of the underworld to whom the victims' blood was poured through a cleft in the earth. Cf. the βόθρος over which Odysseus cuts the throats of the victims, Od. 11.

35.
1226. Cassandra proceeds to describe the glory of the Romans who

To stir up Leucus, guardian of the throne, And fire his hatred by his lying wiles. He shall not spare the children nor the wife, 1220 The wedded Meda, in his savage mood, Nor Cleisithera, whom her sire would give In bitter wedlock to the snake he reared. Within the shrine his foul hands slay them all, Torn like the victims at Oncaea's pit. 1225 Then too the glory of my father's race Shall be enhanced by their posterity, Whose spears shall bear the wreath of victory, And sea and land shall own their sovereign sway. Nor shalt thou, my unhappy fatherland, 1230 In darkness hide a faded fame forgot. Such offspring shall my kinsman leave behind, Two lion-cubs, a stock of peerless might,

were descended from the Trojans. The genuineness of vv. 1226–1280 has been much disputed, and Scheer marks these lines (also vv. 1446–1450) as being of doubtful authenticity. The Schol. on our passage apparently ascribes the whole poem to another Lycophron and not to the tragedian:  $-\vec{\epsilon}\nu\tau\epsilon\hat{\nu}\theta\epsilon\nu$   $\pi\epsilon\hat{\rho}i$  'Pωμαίων  $\lambda\epsilon\gamma\epsilon$ , και  $\lambda$ υκόφρονος έτέρου νομιστέον εἶναι τὸ ποίημα, οὐ τοῦ γράψαντος τὴν τραγωδίαν συνήθης γὰρ ὧν τῷ Φιλαδέλφω, οὐκ ἃν περὶ 'Ρωμαίων διελέγετο. This view on the authorship was also held by Niebuhr; see on 1446 infr. Some, however, take τὸ ποίημα as referring merely to vv. 1226–1280.

1228. Holzinger thinks there is a reference in this line to the derivation of *Quirites* from *curis* (*quiris*), a Sabine word for a spear (Ov. Fast. 2. 477), the spear (hasta) being the characteristic weapon of the old Roman.

1232. Aeneas, who was descended from Tros (Tros, Assaracus, Capys, Anchises, Aeneas), was a kinsman of Cassandra (Tros, Ilus, Laomedon, Priam, Cassandra). The "lion-cubs" are the twins Romulus and Remus. Owing to the vagueness of the word  $\lambda \epsilon i \psi \epsilon i$  it is impossible to determine whether Lycophron means to say that they were sons of Aeneas, or descendants of his in a later generation. The names Romulus and Roma are here connected with  $\delta \omega \mu \eta$ ; cf. Plut. Romul. c. I.

ό Καστνίας τε της τε Χοιράδος γύνος. βουλαίς άριστος, οὐδ' ὀνοστὸς ἐν μάγαις. 1235 δς πρώτα μεν 'Ραίκηλον οἰκήσει μολών, Κισσού παρ' αἰπὺν πρώνα καὶ Λαφυστίας κερασφόρους γυναϊκας. έκ δ' 'Αλμωπίας παλιμπλανήτην δέξεται Τυρσηνία Λιγγεύς τε θερμών ρείθρον εκβράσσων ποτών, 1240 καὶ Πῖσ' 'Αγύλλης θ' αἱ πολύρρηνοι νάπαι. σὺν δέ σφι μίξει φίλιον ἐχθρὸς ὢν στρατόν, ορκοις κρατήσας καὶ λιταίς γουνασμάτων, νάνος, πλάναισι πάντ' έρευνήσας μυγόν άλός τε καὶ γῆς. σὺν δὲ δίπτυχοι τόκοι 1245 Μυσων ἄνακτος, οῦ ποτ' Οἰκουρὸς δόρυ γνάμψει Θέοινος, γυῖα συνδήσας λύγοις, Τάρχων τε καὶ Τυρσηνός, αἴθωνες λύκοι, των 'Ηρακλείων έκγεγωτες αίμάτων.

1234. Aphrodite was the mother of Aeneas. For her title  $K\alpha\sigma\tau\nu i\alpha$  see on 403. Canter restored  $X_{0i}\rho\acute{a}\delta\sigma s$  for  $X_{\epsilon i}\rho\acute{a}\delta\sigma s$ . The Argives sacrificed swine  $(\chi o\hat{i}\rho\sigma i)$  to the goddess, and celebrated the  $\dot{\nu}\sigma\tau\acute{\eta}\rho\imath\dot{a}$  in her honour.

1235. Cf. 11. 5. 180, 6. 77.

1236. Rhaecelus was a city in Macedonia on the Thermaic Gulf, not far from Mount Cissus, which is at the north of the Chalcidic

peninsula.

1237. Bacchus was called  $\Lambda \alpha \phi \dot{\nu} \sigma \tau \iota \sigma s$  in Boeotia, and the Bacchants in Macedonia were called  $\Lambda \alpha \phi \dot{\nu} \sigma \tau \iota \sigma s$ . The name (from  $\lambda \alpha \phi \dot{\nu} \sigma \sigma \omega$ , to rend or devour) referred to the cruel sacrifices of beasts and human beings (Preller). The Schol. says the god got the title from Mount  $\Lambda \alpha \phi \dot{\nu} \sigma \tau \iota \sigma r$  in Boeotia. The Bacchants were horns in imitation of the horned god whom they worshipped; cf. 209 n.

1238 sqq. Almopia was a district in Macedonia. From there Aeneas came to Etruria.  $\Lambda\iota\gamma\gamma\epsilon\dot{v}s$  (=  $\Lambda\iota\gamma\upsilon s$ ) is the Arno between Liguria and Etruria. Pisa is near the mouth of the Arno. The calidae aquae of Pisa (Plin. N.H. 2. 103. 227) discharge into the Arno, which then empties them into the sea. Agylla was the earlier name of Caere in

S. Etruria.

1242. The former foe who becomes the friend of Aeneas in Etruria is Odysseus. Lycophron has already mentioned (805 sq.) that the

He, whom the Castnian, known as Choeras, bore, In counsel best, in war without reproach, 1235 Who to Rhaecelus first shall come and dwell By the steep heights of Cissus, where are found The horned maenads. From Almopia then The Tuscan land receives the wanderer. And Lingeus pouring forth its boiling streams, 1240 And Pisa, and Agylla's sheep-filled vales. With him a foe shall join a friendly force, Constraining him by oaths and suppliant prayers, The dwarf, I mean, who wandering explored All nooks of sea and land; with him two sons Of Mysia's king, whose spear the Home-kept god, The Wine-god, bends, and binds his limbs with shoots, Both Tarchon and Tyrrhenus, fiery wolves, In whose veins flows the blood of Heracles.

body of Odysseus was brought from Ithaca and buried in Etruria near Cortona. Hellanicus (ap. Dion. Hal. 1. 72) told of the coming of Odysseus and Aeneas from Molossia to Italy and their founding the

city of Rome.

1244.  $\nu d\nu os$ , Lat. nanus, means "a dwarf," and we know that Odysseus was small of stature (Od. 6. 230, Il. 3. 193, etc.). The Schol. and Tzetz explain  $\nu d\nu os$  as  $= \pi \lambda a \nu \eta \tau \eta s$ . "a wanderer," being a name given to Odysseus by the Etruscans, and some think that Lycophron is comparing (if not identifying) the wandering Odysseus with Nanas, the leader of the wandering Pelasgians who settled in Etruria (cf. Dion. Hal. 1. 28).

**1245.** σὺν δέ: sc. σφι μίξουσι στρατόν. The two sons of the Mysian king Telephus are Tarchon (legendary founder of Tarquinii) and Tyrrhenus (from whom the Tyrrhenians or Etruscans took their name). Virgil (Aen. 8. 603) makes Aeneas and Tarchon meet at Caere

(Agylla).

1246. For the story of how Telephus, when fighting with Achilles, was overthrown by the aid of Dionysus, see 206 sqq. Dionysus is called Οἰκουρός from the wine being stored in casks or jars in the house; cf. Διόνυσος νίὸς Σταμνίου, Ar. Ran. 22.

1249. Telephus was a son of Heracles and Auge, the daughter of

Aleus king of Tegea.

ένθα τράπεζαν είδάτων πλήρη κιχών, 1250 την υστερου βρωθείσαν έξ όπαόνων, μνήμην παλαιών λήψεται θεσπισμάτων. κτίσει δε χώραν εν τόποις Βορειγόνων ύπερ Λατίνους Σαυνίους τ' ωκισμένην, πύργους τριάκοντ', έξαριθμήσας γονάς 1255 συὸς κελαινής, ην ἀπ' 'Ιδαίων λόφων καὶ Δαρδανείων ἐκ τόπων ναυσθλώσεται, ισηρίθμων θρέπτειραν έν τόκοις κάπρων ης και πόλει δείκηλον ανθήσει μια χαλκώ τυπώσας καὶ τέκνων γλαγοτρόφων. 1260δείμας δε σηκον Μυνδία Παλληνίδι, πατρώ' ἀγάλματ' ἐγκατοικιεῖ θεών, ἃ δή, παρώσας καὶ δάμαρτα καὶ τέκνα καὶ κτῆσιν ἄλλην όμπνίαν κειμηλίων,

1250.  $\tilde{\epsilon}\nu\theta\alpha$  is used very vaguely, as the events which follow happened in Latium and not in Etruria. Cassandra, in the rapid course of her prophecy, seems to omit the journey of Aeneas from Etruria into Latium.

1251. There was an oracle that Aeneas was to find a new home at the place where his comrades, exhausted by hunger, should eat their

tables; cf. Aen. 3. 256, 7. 116 sqq.

1253. The Aborigines were the old inhabitants of Latium, who had been driven down by the Sabines from the mountain country about Reate.

1254. Neither of the readings  $\delta \pi \hat{\epsilon} \rho$   $\Lambda \alpha \pi \hat{\iota} \nu \sigma \upsilon s$   $\Delta \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \sigma \upsilon s$  (MSS.),  $\delta \pi \hat{\epsilon} \rho$   $\Lambda \alpha \pi \hat{\iota} \sigma \upsilon s$   $\Delta \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \sigma \upsilon s$  (Steph. Byz.) is intelligible. I adopt Holzinger's correction, the meaning being that Aeneas founded his new sway in the earlier dominion of the Aborigines, the border district between the Latin and Sabine lands. From the mixture of the Aborigines and Sabines sprang the Samnites, whom the Greeks called  $\Sigma \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \tau \alpha \iota$  (Strab. 5. 250). Lycophron coined  $\Sigma \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \sigma \upsilon s = \Sigma \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \tau \alpha s$ , and this strange form led to the corruption of the text. Ciaceri reads  $\Lambda \alpha \rho \hat{\iota} \nu \upsilon \upsilon \Delta \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \upsilon \upsilon \tau$ , taking  $\delta \pi \hat{\epsilon} \rho$  as meaning "beyond" from the Greek point of view, i.e. to the west of the Apennines; Larinum being the chief town of the Frentani who dwelt above Apulia (Daunia) on the E. coast, and  $\Delta \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \upsilon \upsilon \upsilon$  being used for  $\Delta \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \alpha s$  as though there were a form  $\Delta \alpha \nu \nu \hat{\iota} \upsilon \upsilon$  meaning "the city of king Daunus."

There shall he find a table spread with food, 1250 A table which his squires devour anon. This makes him think of ancient oracles, And so, where dwell the Aborigines Across the Latin and the Samnite bounds He founds his thirty forts, in number like 1255 The brood of the wild sow, which from the heights Of Ida and Dardanian realms he shipped, Nurse of this number in one litter born. And in one city he shall raise to her And to her sucklings figures wrought of bronze. To Myndus' and Pallene's goddess then He builds a shrine to house his fathers' gods, Which, spurning both his children and his wife And all the rich stores of his household stuff,

1255. πύργους τριάκοντα is epexegetic of κτίσει χώραν. From these thirty forts grew the thirty towns of the Latin League, with Lavinium as the chief town.

1256. The oracle had ordained that the Trojans, when they reached the place where they devoured their tables, were to follow a fourfooted leader and to found a city where it lay down to rest. The sow which Aeneas was about to sacrifice escaped and rushed wildly from the shore to the Alban mountains, a distance of twenty-four stades, without stopping, and then lay down on a hill and produced a litter of thirty sucklings; at this spot Aeneas founded Lavinium. κελαινης must be used here = furiosae, horrendae (7 n.), as the sow was white and not black in colour (Aen. 3. 392, etc.).

1259. The bronze figure of the sow and her young was dedicated in Lavinium, one of the thirty cities of which Aeneas laid the foundations.

1261. Μυνδία = Athene, 950 n.; Athene was called Παλληνίς from

her temple at Pallene, a deme of Attica.

1263. The story that the Greeks on the capture of Troy allowed Aeneas to take away from the city what most he valued is found in Xenophon, Varro, etc. According to one version he took away not only the Penates and his father (Anchises), but also his wife (Creusa) and his children (Ascanius and Euryleon) and some of his household goods. Lycophron here enhances the pietas of Aeneas.

σύν τω γεραιώ πατρί πρεσβειώσεται, 1265 πέπλοις περισχών, ήμος αίχμηται κύνες, τὰ πάντα πάτρας συλλαφύξαντες πάλω. τούτω μόνω πόρωσιν αιρεσιν, δύμων λαβείν δ χρήζει κάπενέγκασθαι δάνος. τω καὶ παρ' ἐχθροῖς εὐσεβέστατος κριθείς, 1270 την πλείστον ύμνηθείσαν έν χάρμαις πάτραν έν όψιτέκνοις όλβίαν δωμήσεται τύρσιν μακεδνάς τ' άμφὶ Κιρκαίου νάπας 'Αργούς τε κλεινον βρμον Αλήτην μέγαν, λίμνης τε Φόρκης Μαρσιωνίδος ποτά 1275 Τιτώνιόν τε χεύμα, του κατά χθονός δύνοντος είς ἄφαντα κευθμώνος βάθη, Ζωστηρίου τε κλιτύν, ἔνθα παρθένου στυγνον Σιβύλλης έστιν οικητήριον, γρώνω βερέθρω συγκατηρεφές στέγης. 1280 Τοσαῦτα μεν δύστλητα πείσονται κακά οί την έμην μέλλοντες αιστώσειν πάτραν. Τί γὰρ ταλαίνη μητρὶ τῷ Προμηθέως ξυνον πέφυκε καὶ τροφώ Σαρπηδόνος,

1273. With Holzinger, I insert  $\tau$ ' after  $\mu \alpha \kappa \epsilon \delta \nu \dot{\alpha} s$ , so that  $\tau \dot{\nu} \rho \sigma \iota \nu$  depends on  $\dot{\alpha} \mu \phi i$ . Lycophron affects lines constructed in this way, e.g. 1214, 803, 709, 98. The  $\pi \dot{\alpha} \tau \rho \alpha$  is Latium, the bounds of which are given in the following lines;  $\tau \dot{\nu} \rho \sigma \iota \nu$  means the citadel of Circeii at the foot of the Mons Circeius, its name being connected with the mythical Circe who had a temple there. Ciaceri adheres to the Mss., and takes  $\tau \dot{\nu} \rho \sigma \iota \nu$  with  $\dot{\epsilon} \nu \dot{\delta} \psi \iota \tau \dot{\epsilon} \kappa \nu \sigma \iota s$ , i.e. Aeneas shall lay the foundation of a new fatherland (Latium), which by the prowess of his successors shall become a fortress placed between the bounds mentioned in the subsequent lines.

1274. The Argo was said to have put in to a port of Latium called first Aiήτης (after the father of Medea), and later Καιήτης (after

Caieta, nurse of Aeneas, who was buried there).

1275. This is the Fucine lake in the territory of the Marsi. The name  $\Phi \delta \rho \kappa \eta$  has been connected with the sea-god Phorcus; Strabo describes the lake as being as large as a sea. Servius (on Aen. 10.

With his aged sire he shall the most esteem. 1265 And wrap with robes, what time the warrior dogs Sharing the plunder of his land by lot To him alone shall grant as gift the choice To take what he may please from out his house. So, even by his foes, most pious deemed, 1270 A new homeland extolled in battle-strife And blest in future ages he shall found, Where stand the tower and Circe's highland woods, And great Aeetes, famed as Argo's port, And Phorce's waters in the Marsic mere, 1275 And Titon's streams which pass beneath the earth Into the viewless depths of an abyss, And Phoebus' mountain, where the priestess-maid, The Sibyl, has her awful dwelling-place, A yawning cavern roofed with arching rocks. 1280 Such are the crushing ills which they shall bear Who soon shall devastate my fatherland. What links Prometheus' mother grief-forlorn With her who reared Sarpedon as her child?

388), speaking of the Marruvii or Marruvii, who dwelt on the lake, says: gente autem vetusta, quia a Phorco deo marino originem ducere legitur. Scheer reads  $\Phi_0 i \kappa_\eta s$ .

1276. Lycophron uses Τιτώνιον for Πιτώνιον. The river Pitonius flowed through the Fucine lake, and issued from it by a subterranean

outlet.

1278. Apollo was called  $\mathbf{Z}\omega\sigma\tau\eta\rho\iota\sigma$  from  $\mathbf{Z}\omega\sigma\tau\eta\rho$ , a promontory terminating Mount Hymettus in Attica. There was a temple of Apollo  $\mathbf{Z}\omega\sigma\tau\eta\rho\iota\sigma$  at Cumae, where was also the famous cave of the Sibyl.

1281-1282. After the account of Aeneas in Italy (1226-1280) these two lines close the prediction (begun in 365 supr.) of the woes of the

Greeks after the fall of Troy.

1283. Cassandra now traces the course of the struggle between Europe and Asia in much the same way as Herodotus does in the opening chapters of his Histories. The mother of Prometheus was Asia ('A $\sigma(\eta)$ ). Sarpedon was a son of Zeus and Europa.

ας πόντος "Ελλης και πέτραι Συμπληγάδες	1285
καὶ Σαλμυδησός καὶ κακόξεινος κλύδων,	
Σκύθαισι γείτων, καρτεροῖς εἴργει πάγοις,	
λίμνην τε τέμνων Τάναϊς ἀκραιφνής μέσην	
ρείθροις όρίζει, προσφιλεστάτην βροτοίς	
χίμετλα Μαιώταισι θοηνοῦσιν ποδῶν ;	1290
"Ολοιντο ναῦται πρῶτα Καρνῖται κύνες,	
οἳ τὴν βοῶπιν ταυροπάρθενον κόρην	
Λέρνης ἀνηφείψαντο, φορτηγοὶ λύκοι,	
πλάτιν πορεῦσαι κῆρα Μεμφίτη πρόμω,	
έχθρας δὲ πυρσὸν ἦραν ἢπείροις διπλαῖς.	1295
αὖθις γὰρ ὕβριν τὴν βαρεῖαν ἁρπαγῆς	
Κουρῆτες ἀντίποινον Ἰδαῖοι κάπροι	
ζητοῦντες, αλχμάλωτον ἤμπρευσαν πόριν	
έν ταυρομόρφφ τράμπιδος τυπώματι	
Σαραπτίαν Δικταΐον εἰς ἀνάκτορον	1300

1285. The boundaries which Nature has set between Asia and Europe are here enumerated from south to north. For  $\pi \delta \nu \tau \sigma s$  EAA $\eta s$  see on 22. The Symplegades were rocks at the junction of the Bosporus and Euxine, which were supposed to close with a clash on all who sailed between them, until the Argo made the passage safely.

1286. Salmydesus (cf. 186) was a coast-town or district of Thrace on the Euxine, about sixty miles N. W. from the entrance of the Bosporus. For the danger of navigation there cf. Aesch. Pr. 726 sq., where it is called  $\mu\eta\tau\rho\nu\iota\dot{\alpha}$  (step-mother)  $\nu\epsilon\hat{\omega}\nu$ . The Pontus (Black Sea) was at first called 'A $\xi\epsilon\iota\nu\sigma$ s from the severity of the climate and the cruelty of the Scythians; later its name was changed to  $E\check{\nu}\xi\epsilon\iota\nu\sigma$ s when the Ionians founded their colonies there.

1288. The Tanais (Don) discharges into the Palus Maeotis (Sea of Azov). Lycophron means that owing to its swiftness its waters did not mix with those of the Maeotis.

1291. Cassandra curses the Phoenician traders who carried off Io from Lerne in Argolis. Carne (also called Antaradus, later Constantia, mod. Tortosa) was a town on the coast of N. Phoenicia. As Herodotus (1. I) says that the Phoenician traders came  $\lambda \pi \delta \tau \hat{\eta} s$  ' $E\rho\nu\theta\rho\hat{\eta}s$ ...  $\theta a\lambda \alpha\sigma\eta s$ , Holzinger thinks the town referred to is  $K\alpha\rho\nu\alpha$   $\hbar$   $K\alpha\rho\alpha\nu\nu\alpha$  (Strab. 16. 768) in S. W. Arabia.

1292. Io, daughter of Inachus, was beloved of Zeus, and was transformed into a heifer to escape the jealous wrath of Hera. In the

The Hellespont and the Symplegades 1285 And Salmydesus and that churlish sea Near Scythia with its hard ice sunders them; Divided are they by the Tanais Which flows pure through the lake Maeotians love, A folk lamenting kibes upon their feet. 1290 Cursed first of all be Carne's sailor hounds, Who carried off the ox-eyed horned maid From Lerne's shores—those wolves, those traffickers,— A baneful bride to give to Memphis' lord. They raised a war-torch for two continents; 1295 For the Curetes then, Mount Ida's boars, Seek vengeance for this overweening rape, And drag away with them a captive maid In vessel with a bull's form as its sign From far Sarapta to Dictaean court, 1300

myth the transformation was complete; on the stage she was represented as a maiden with horns. The Homeric epithet  $\beta_0 \hat{\omega} \pi_{is}$  denotes large soft rounded eyes.

1294. Io was brought by the Phoenicians to Egypt, where she wedded Osiris (here called  $M \epsilon \mu \phi i \tau \eta s \pi \rho \delta \mu \sigma s$ ), and was identified with

the goddess Isis.

1296. The Greeks avenged the rape of Io by carrying off Europa from Phoenicia. The  $Kou\rho\hat{\eta}\tau\epsilon s$  (here =  $K\rho\hat{\eta}\tau\epsilon s$ ) were dwellers in Crete to whose care was entrusted the infant Zeus, whose birth was associated with Mount Ida in Crete. For  $\kappa\acute{\alpha}\pi\rho\sigma\iota$  cf. 1066, 1013 n.

1299. The rationalistic version of the myth that Zeus in the form of a bull swam with Europa (daughter of the Phoenician king Agenor) on his back to Crete was that the vessel which bore her away had as

παράσημον, or ensign, the figure of a bull.

1300. Sarapta was a city on the coast between Tyre and Sidon. Lycophron, as Holzinger points out, unites the conflicting versions that Europa was a native of Tyre and of Sidon by placing her at Sarapta half way between the two. Δικταῖον is here = Κρητικόν, the ἀνάκτορον being the palace of the Cretan king Asterius. As there is a blending of the myth with the rationalistic interpretation all through this passage, Lycophron may also wish to suggest the temple of Zeus at the foot of Mount Dicte. Zeus was said to have been born on this mountain, and to have had union with Europa in a cave there.

δάμαρτα Κρήτης 'Αστέρω στοατηλάτη. ούδ' οι γ' απηρκέσθησαν αντ' ίσων ίσα λαβόντες, άλλα κλωπα σύν Τεύκρω στρατόν καὶ σὺν Σκαμάνδρω Δραυκίω φυτοσπόρω είς Βεβούκων έστειλαν οἰκητήριον, 1305 σμίνθοισι δηρίσοντας, ων από σποράς έμους γενάρχας έξέφυσε Δάρδανος, γήμας 'Αρίσβαν Κοῆσσαν εὐγενῆ κόρην. Καὶ δευτέρους ἔπεμψαν Ατρακας λύκους ταγώ μονοκρήπιδι κλέψοντας νάκην, 1310 δρακοντοφρούροις έσκεπασμένην σκυπαίς. δς είς Κύταιαν την Λιβυστικήν μολών, καὶ τὸν τετράπνην ύδρον εὐνάσας θρόνοις, καὶ γυρὰ ταύρων βαστάσας πυριπνόων άροτρα, καὶ λέβητι δαιτρευθείς δέμας. 1315 οὐκ ἀσμένως ἔμαρψεν ἐρράου σκύλος,

1301. ' $A\sigma\tau\epsilon\rho\omega$  is = ' $A\sigma\tau\epsilon\rho\iota\omega$ . Asterius, a Cretan king, married Europa, and adopted and reared her sons (Minos, Sarpedon, and Rhadamanthys) who had been begotten by Zeus. ' $A\sigma\tau\epsilon\rho\iota\sigma$ , "god of the starry sky," was a title under which Zeus was worshipped at Gortyn in Crete.

1303. Scamander and Teucer went to Asia with Cretan colonists. An oracle told them to settle wherever the  $\gamma\eta\gamma\epsilon\nu\epsilon\hat{\iota}s$ , terrigenae, should attack them. They landed in the Troad, and on the first night swarms of field-mice nibbled their shields and bows: so they settled there, and Teucer became the first king of Troy. Scamander disappeared into the river Xanthus, which took his name. These Cretans founded a temple in the Troad to Apollo  $\Sigma \mu \iota \nu \theta \epsilon \dot{\nu} s$ , "Mouse-god" (see Leaf on 11. I. 39).

1304. The meaning of Δραυκίω is unknown; Hoeck suggested

'Pαυκίω (from 'Pαῦκος, a Cretan city).

1305. Βεβρύκων: see on 516.

1307. Dardanus, coming from Samothrace, married Arisba, daughter of the Trojan king Teucer.

1309. "Atracian" means Thessalian, Atrax being a city in Thessaly.

From Thessaly the Argonauts set out for Colchis.

1310.  $\tau \alpha \gamma \hat{\varphi}$  is a *dat. commodi* (Scaliger); the word was specially used of a Thessalian chief. King Pelias had been warned by an

As wife for Crete's war-leader Asterus. Nor were they satisfied with tit for tat, But furthermore a host of plunderers They send with Teucer and his Draucian sire, Scamander, to possess Bebrycian homes. 1305 Mice were the foes they met, and from their stock Did Dardanus beget my ancestors, Wedding Arisba of Crete's royal house.

And next they send out the Atracian wolves With their one-sandalled chief to steal the fleece 1310 Close guarded by the watchful dragon's folds. He to Cytaea, Libyan-founded, comes And lulls to rest the drugged four-nostrilled snake, And guides the curved plough with fire-breathing bulls,--

His flesh in magic cauldron is renewed,— -1315And 'gainst his will he snatches the ram's fleece,

oracle to beware of the man with one shoe; and so when Jason came to him in Iolcus wearing only one shoe, having lost the other in crossing the Anaurus, Pelias was alarmed and sent him away to seek the golden fleece.

1312. Κύταιαν: see on 174. For  $\Lambda$ ιβυστικήν =  $\Lambda$ ιβυκήν cf. 648 (where the MSS, which here have  $\Lambda$ ιγυστικήν vary between  $\Lambda$ ιβ, and Λιγ.). The Colchians traced their origin from Egypt (Hdt. 2. 104 sq.). Steph. Byz. quotes our line with AiBuotivny, adding that the Λιβυστίνοι were a people adjoining the Colchians.

1313.  $\tau \epsilon \tau \rho \dot{\alpha} \pi \nu \eta \nu$  is =  $\delta \iota \kappa \dot{\epsilon} \phi \alpha \lambda \sigma \nu$ .

1314. Aeetes, the Colchian king, promised to give Jason the fleece if he yoked to the plough the fire-breathing bulls with feet of bronze.

Tason did so, but Aeetes broke his word.

1315. Pherecydes (fr. 74) and Simonides (fr. 204) say that Medea rejuvenated Jason by boiling his flesh in a cauldron, but this must have happened later in Greece. Lycophron mentions it here, substituting it for the anointing by which Medea rendered Jason invulnerable in his ordeals (Ap. Rh. 3.844 sqq., Pind. P. 4.221).

1316. Jason shrank from the encounter with the dragon (cf.

πεφοβημένος, Ap. Rh. 4. 149).

άλλ' αὐτόκλητον άρπάσας κεραίδα, την γνωτοφόντιν καὶ τέκνων άλάστορα, είς την λάληθρον κίσσαν ήρματίξατο, φθογγήν έδώλων Χαονιτικών άπο 1320 βροτησίαν ίεισαν, έμπαιον δρόμων. Πάλιν δ' ὁ πέτρας ἀσκέρας ἀνειρύσας καὶ φασγάνου ζωστῆρα καὶ ξίφος πατρός, ό Φημίου παῖς, Σκῦρος ῷ λυγροὺς τάφους κρημνών ένερθεν αιγίλιψ βοιζουμένων 1325πάλαι δοκεύει τὰς ἀταρχύτους ριφάς, σὺν θηρὶ βλώξας τῷ σπάσαντι δηίας Μύστη Τροπαίας μαστον εύθηλον θεάς. ζωστηροκλέπτης, νείκος ώρινεν διπλούν, στόρνην τ' άμέρσας καὶ Θεμισκύρας ἄπο 1330 την τοξόδαμνον νοσφίσας 'Ορθωσίαν. ης αί ξύναιμοι, παρθένοι Νεπουνίδος.

1317. To escape her father's wrath, Medea fled to the Argonauts and asked them to take her away with them.  $\kappa\epsilon\rho\alpha ts$  is explained by the Schol. as  $\epsilon l\delta os\ \delta\rho\nu\epsilon ov\ \mu\kappa\rho\sigma\delta$  (Tzetz. adding  $\kappa\alpha\tau\omega\sigma\epsilon\rho\epsilon s\ \pi\rho\delta s\ \sigma\nu\nu\sigma\nu\sigma\delta\alpha\nu$ ). Hesych. has  $\kappa\epsilon\rho\alpha ts$   $\kappa\sigma\sigma\omega\nu$ 0. Cf. 476 supr., where  $\pi\iota\pi\omega$  is used of Hesione. Holzinger and Ciaceri regard  $\kappa\epsilon\rho\alpha ts$  as  $= \delta\lambda\sigma\delta\phi\rho\omega\nu$ , vastatrix, referring to the following line.

1318. Jason and Medea compassed the murder of her brother Absyrtus, when they were escaping from Colchis. Afterwards at Corinth Medea murdered her children to be avenged on Jason for deserting her and marrying the daughter of Creon, king of Corinth.

1320. ἐδωλων (= ἐδωλίων, 296) may mean the quarter-deck, or be used generally for the beams of the Argo (σανιδωμάτων Schol.). Lycophron is referring to the "talking beam" (variously localized in the Argo, generally in its keel) which was taken from one of the oaks at Dodona. It possessed powers of human utterance, and advised the Argonauts. Chaonia (cf. 1046) is mentioned instead of Dodona, both being in Epeirus.

1322. The next episode in the struggle between Europe and Asia was the expedition of Theseus and Heracles against the Amazons. For the story of Theseus and his father Aegeus to which Lycophron is

referring here see on 494 supr.

1324. The title  $\Phi \eta \mu uos$  refers to Poseidon's power of prophecy, as he originally possessed the oracle at Delphi. He was said to have

But pounces on the bird who asks to go,
The brother-slaying child-destroying fiend,
And sets her on that chattering jay, his ship,
Which from its timbers of Chaonian oak
Sends forth man's voice, and knows the course to
steer.

Next he who took from out the rock the shoes
Of his own sire, the sword-belt, and the sword,
Poseidon's son, for whom with sorry grave
Beneath its surf-lashed rocks sheer Scyros waits, 1325
To see him dashed in his unburied fall,
Coming with lion versed in mystic rites,
Who sucked the hostile Trophy-goddess' breast,
As girdle-robber roused a two-fold feud:
He filched the belt, and from Themiscyra
He seized the archer-queen Orthosia.
Her sisters, virgins who Nepunis serve,

been the real father of Theseus. When Theseus came to the island of Scyros (opposite Euboea) he was suspected by the king Lycomedes of trying to secure the sovereignty, and was thrown from a cliff into the Aegaean sea. Canter read ροιζουμένω (cf. 66, 1426).

1328. Heracles, before descending to Hades to fetch Cerberus, was initiated in the Eleusinian Mysteries. As  $T\rho o\pi a ia$ , Hera gave victories and received trophies. She was hostile to Heracles owing to the intrigue of her husband Zeus with Alcmene, mother of Heracles (cf. 39), but nevertheless suckled him as a babe, either at the instigation of Athene or through a trick of Zeus.

1329. Ciaceri reads ζωστηροκλέπτη (taken with θηρί, 1327), the usual legend being that it was Heracles, and not Theseus, who filched the girdle of Hippolyte.

1330. Themiscyra was a plain in N. Pontus, the home of the Amazons.

1331. 'Ορθωσία is here the Amazon Antiope. It, like 'Ορθία, was properly a title of Artemis, connected by some with Mount Orthion in Arcadia.

1332. Artemis was called Ne $\pi$ ovvis from her cult at Nepe in Etruria. The Amazons followed Artemis in the chase, and she was worshipped in Scythia as Tavpo $\pi$ ó $\lambda$ os or 'Op $\theta$  $\omega$  $\sigma$ i $\alpha$ .

"Εριν λιπουσαι, Λάγμον, ήδε Τήλαμον, καὶ γεῦμα Θερμώδοντος 'Ακταϊόν τ' ὅρος, ποινάς αθέλκτους θ' άρπαγάς διζήμεναι, 1335 ύπξο κελαινόν "Ιστρον ήλασαν Σκύθας ίππους, όμοκλήτειραν ίείσαι βοήν Γραικοῖσιν ἀμνάμοις τε τοῖς Ἐρεχθέως. καὶ πᾶσαν 'Ακτην έξεπόρθησαν δορί, τούς Μοψοπείους αιθαλώσασαι γύης. 1340 Πάππος δὲ Θρήκης ούμὸς αἰστώσας πλάκα χώραν τ' Έρρδων καὶ Γαλαδραίων πέδου, ορους έπηξεν αμφί Πηνειού ποτοίς, στερράν τραγήλω ζευγλαν αμφιθείς πέδαις, άλκη νέανδρος, έκπρεπέστατος γένους. 1345 ή δ' άντὶ τούτων τάρροθον βοηλάτην τον έξάπρυμνον, στέρφος έγχλαινούμενον, στείλασα, λίστροις αἰπὸν ἤρειψεν πάγον, τὸν ή παλίμφρων Γοργάς ἐν κλήροις θεων καθιερώσει, πημάτων ἀρχηγέτις. 1350 Αῦθις δὲ κίρκοι, Τμώλον ἐκλελοιπότες

133. sq. Eris is the Iris, a river in Pontus. Lagmus is probably the Araxes. Telamus is an unknown river; Holzinger says it is the "broad river," i.e. the Τάναϊς (Don). Thermodon is a river of Pontus flowing into the Euxine. 'Ακταῖον ὅρος is unknown; it may be Mount Athos, used as representing Thrace (Holz.); Ciaceri takes it of the mountains of Scythia crossed by the Amazons before reaching the Ister (Danube).

1338. The  $\Gamma \rho \alpha i \kappa o i$  here are probably not the old inhabitants of Hellas (1195 n.), but the dwellers in  $\Gamma \rho \alpha i \kappa \eta$  (Thucyd. 2. 23) on the coast of Boeotia, and so Boeotians generally. See 196 n. The Amazons fought a battle in Boeotia (Plut. Thes. 27). The Athenians are called

descendants of Erechtheus (110 n.).

1339.  $A\kappa \tau \dot{\eta} \nu = A\tau \tau \iota \kappa \dot{\eta} \nu$  (IIOn.). Movomelous: see on 733.

1341. The Trojan Ilus was the great-grandfather of Cassandra (1232 n.). Herodotus (7. 20, 75) mentions that before the Trojan War Mysians and Teucrians invaded Europe and subdued Thrace and all the land as far as the Peneius, a river of Thessaly.

1342. The 'Εορδοί dwelt between Macedonia and Thrace, north of

Deserting Eris, Lagmus, Telamus, Thermodon's torrent and Actaean heights, Vengeance and plunder seeking ruthlessly, 1335 Over black Ister urge their Scythian steeds, Sending the challenge of their battle-cry Unto the Graeci and Erechtheus' stock. All Attica they ravage with their spears, And waste with fire the land which Mopsus ruled. 1340 My ancestor then sacked the steppes of Thrace, Eordian land and Galadraean plain, His boundaries fixing at Peneius' streams. A hard yoke on their neck with fettering bonds He places, young in might, his race's crown. 1345 Europa then as venger sends that herd, Who, clad in lion's hide, with his six ships By mattocks levelled our steep citadel. And him relenting Hera, she who caused His woes, shall hallow in the gods' domains. 1350 Then next the falcons leaving Tmolus' heights,

the Chalcidic peninsula. Γαλάδραι was a city of Macedonia in Pieria. 1344. Some explain  $\pi \epsilon \delta \alpha is$  as =  $\delta \epsilon \sigma \mu o is$ , i.e. the straps fastening the yoke, others as shackles on the feet, attached to the yoke on the neck and keeping the head bowed.

1346. Heracles is called βοηλάτης as having driven off the oxen of Geryon. Lycophron here speaks of him as champion of Europe against Asia, though, in reality, he went against Troy to take vengeance on Laomedon for wrongs done to himself (cf. 31, 469).

1348. λίστρον (λίs, "smooth," "level") meant any implement for levelling. Heracles completely levelled the walls of Troy.

1349. Γοργάs is Hera, the fierce goddess, who, after persecuting Heracles relentlessly throughout his life, changed her mind when she saw him received in Olympus by the other gods, and gave him her daughter Hebe in marriage.

1351. The κίρκοι are Tyrrhenus and the Lydians. In Hdt. 1. 94 we are told that, during a famine in Lydia, Atys and his son Tyrrhenus agreed that Atys should remain at home, while Tyrrhenus and part of the people were to set sail for Italy. Lycophron appears to be

Κίμψον τε καὶ χρυσεργά Πακτωλοῦ ποτά, καὶ ναμα λίμνης, ἔνθα Τυφωνος δάμαρ κευθμώνος αινόλεκτρον ένδαύει μυχόν, "Αγυλλαν Αυσονίτιν είσεκώμασαν, 1355 δεινήν Διγυστίνοισι τοῖς τ' ἀφ' αίματος ρίζαν γιγάντων Σιθόνων κεκτημένοις λόγχης ἐν ὑσμίναισι μίξαντες πάλην. είλον δε Πίσαν και δορίκτητον χθόνα πασαν κατειργάσαντο την "Ομβρων πέλας 1360 καὶ Σαλπίων βεβωσαν ὀχθηρων πάγων. Λοίσθος δ' έγείρει γρυνός άρχαίαν έριν. πυρ εύδον ήδη τὸ πρὶν έξάπτων φλογί, έπεὶ Πελασγούς είδε 'Ρυνδακοῦ ποτών κρωσσοίσιν όθνείοισι βάψαντας γάνος. 1365 ή δ' αὖθις οἰστρήσασα τιμωρουμένη τριπλάς τετραπλάς αντιτίσεται βλάβας,

following a different tradition here from that in 1245 sqq., where he states that Tarchon and Tyrrhenus, sons of Telephus king of Mysia, allied themselves with Aeneas when he came to Italy after the fall of Troy. Here he is describing events which happened before the siege of Troy, and Tyrrhenus is represented as a Lydian and not as a Mysian. Timaeus, who is Lycophron's authority, must have given both legends. Ciaceri maintains that the same tradition is followed in both passages by Lycophron. He thinks that the  $\kappa i \rho \kappa o \iota$  are Tyrrhenus and Tarchon, that the Mysians and Lydians were identified mythologically, and that Tyrrhenus and Tarchon came to Italy before the siege of Troy and were there after it. Tmolus is a mountain in Lydia, and the Cimpsus and Pactolus (272 n.) are rivers there.

1353. In the Gygaean marsh at the foot of Mount Tmolus Echidna, wife of Typhon (825, 689), had her home. She was half-weman,

half-serpent, and was mother of the Chimaera.

1355. For Agylla see 1241. Strabo (5. 220) mentions that it was

founded by Pelasgians from Thessaly.

1356.  $\Lambda_i \gamma b \sigma \tau_i \nu o_i$  is the form used by late writers =  $\Lambda_i \gamma \nu \epsilon_s$ , Ligures, the dwellers on the coast between Etruria and Gaul. By  $\tau o_i s$ ...  $\kappa \epsilon_k \kappa \tau \eta \mu \epsilon_i \nu o_i s$  are meant the Pelasgians, who, wherever they dwelt, were supposed to be descended from the giants, probably on account of their gigantic buildings (Holz.). The home of the giants is Chalcidice in Thrace, with its peninsulas of Pallene, Sithonia, and Acte; cf. 127 supr.

The Cimpsus, and Pactolus' golden streams,
And waters of that mere where Typhon's wife
In deepest cavern has her awesome lair,
Burst on Agylla in Ausonian land,
And with Ligurians, and the peoples sprung
From blood of the Sithonian giants, joined
In the fierce wrestling of the warring spear.
They captured Pisa, and by conquest's right
Brought to subjection all the land that runs
Near Umbria and the swelling Alpine hills.

And last that firebrand rouses the old feud,
With his flame kindling the now sleeping fire,
When he beheld Pelasgians with strange urns
Draw water from the streams of Rhyndacus. 1365
Then Hellas, frenzied, lusting for revenge,
Three-fold, yea four-fold, shall repay those wrongs

1359. For Pisa see on 1241.

1361. Lycophron seems to use Σάλπια ὅρη as = Ἦλπια ὅρη, i.e. the Alps (Ἦλπεις). Holzinger denies this, and thinks that the reference is to the Σάλνες, i.e. the Salluvii on the N. W. of Etruria in Gallia Narbonensis.

1362. For Paris as a firebrand cf. 86, 225, 913.

1364. There is difficulty in determining what is the subject of  $\epsilon l \delta \epsilon$ . Herodotus (1. 3) says that it was in the next generation after the Argonautic expedition that Paris, hearing  $(\partial \kappa \eta \kappa o \delta \tau a)$  of the rape of Medea, avenged it by the rape of Helen. Ciaceri tries to get over this by taking  $\epsilon l \delta \epsilon$  in the sense of "learned," "heard," which seems impossible. Holzinger thinks that the subject is not Paris but 'A $\sigma (\eta, \alpha)$  and he takes  $\partial \kappa = \partial \kappa = \partial$ 

1366. ἡ δ': i.e. Europe or Hellas (cf. 1346) avenged the rape of Helen not merely by the sacking of Troy, but also by the foundation

of the numerous Greek colonies in Asia Minor.

πορθούσα χώρας ἀντίπορθμον ήόνα. Ποώτος μεν ήξει Ζηνί τώ Λαπερσίω όμώνυμος Ζεύς, ός καταιβάτης μολών 1370 σκηπτώ πυρώσει πάντα δυσμενών σταθμά. σύν ώ θανούμαι, κάν νεκροίς στρωφωμένη τὰ λοίπ' ἀκούσω ταῦθ', ἃ νῦν μέλλω θροεῖν. Ο δεύτερος δέ, τοῦ πεφασμένου κέλωρ έν αμφιβλήστροις, έλλοπος μυνδοῦ δίκην, 1375 καταιθαλώσει γαΐαν όθνείαν, μολών χρησμοῖς Ἰατροῦ σὺν πολυγλώσσω στρατώ. Τρίτος δ', ἄνακτος τοῦ δρυηκόπου γόνος. την τευχοπλάστιν παρθένον Βραγχησίαν παραιολίξας βώλον έμπεφυρμένην 1380 νασμοίς ορέξαι τω κεχρημένω δάνος. σφραγίδα δέλτω δακτύλων εφαρμόσαι, Φθειρών δρείαν νάσσεται μοναρχίαν, τὸν πρωτόμισθον Κᾶρα δηώσας στρατόν, **ὅταν κόρη κασωρίς, εἰς ἐπείσιον** 1385

1369. Agamemnon leads the Greeks against Troy. He was honoured in Greece by the title of Zeus; cf. 1124, 335. Zeus Agamemnon, according to the Schol., had a temple in  $\Lambda \alpha \pi \epsilon \rho \sigma \alpha \iota$  which was a  $\delta \hat{\eta} \mu \sigma s$  'Αττικής (Wilamowitz would read  $\Lambda \alpha \kappa \omega \nu \iota \kappa \hat{\eta} s$ ). Hesychius says  $\Lambda \alpha \pi \epsilon \rho \sigma \eta$  was a town in Laconia. In 511 supr.  $\Lambda \alpha \pi \epsilon \rho \sigma \iota \sigma \iota$  is a title of the Dioscuri connected with the Laconian city of Las.

1372. Cf. 1108 sqq., where Cassandra predicts that she shall die

with Agamemnon.

1374. In obedience to an oracle of Apollo the Healer (cf. 1207), Orestes, son of Agamemnon, led out to Aeolis in Asia Minor a colony of men of many races and divers tongues. Lycophron is deriving the name  $Aio\lambda\epsilon is$  from  $aio\lambda os$ . For the description of Agamemnon's murder cf. 1101 sqq., where, as here, the robe in which he was entangled is likened to a net.

1378. Lycophron treats the Ionic colonisation of Asia Minor as a third invasion of Asia by Europe under the leadership of Neleus, son of Codrus. The epithet  $\delta\rho\nu\eta\kappa\delta\pi\sigma\nu$  refers to the story that once when the Dorians from the Peloponnesus invaded Attica they were told by an oracle that they should be victorious only if the life of the Attic

By ravaging the shores across the sea.

For first shall come that Zeus of the same name
As Zeus Lapersius. Like a thunder-bolt, 1370
He swoops and burns the steadings of his foe.
With him I needs must die, and I shall hear
Among the dead what I proceed to tell.

Second, the son of him who met his death,
Like a dumb fish, entangled in a net,
Obeys the Healer's voice and comes to burn
A foreign land, with host of many tongues.
And third, the son of the tree-felling king

Beguiles the potter maid near Branchus' shrine
To hand to him what he required to get,
A piece of water-moistened earth as gift,
That he might seal a tablet with his ring.
Thus o'er the Phtheirian hills he founds his sway,
Routing the Carians, first to serve for hire,
What time his lustful daughter snarls abuse

1385

king were spared. Codrus, the king, hearing this, resolved to sacrifice himself, and disguised as a woodcutter entered the Dorian camp, where he picked a quarrel with the soldiers which led to his death.

1379. Neleus was bidden by an oracle to settle wherever a maiden gave to him earth and water. When he arrived in Caria, he asked the daughter of a potter for a piece of earth to make a seal, and she gave him some moist potter's clay. He then, seeing that the oracle was fulfilled, founded Miletus. The Branchidae, descended from Branchus  $(B\rho\acute{a}\gamma\chi os)$  the seer, son of Apollo, were the priests of the famous temple and oracle of Apollo at Didymus near Miletus.

1383. The  $\Phi\theta\epsilon\iota\rho\hat{\omega}\nu$  of  $\delta\rho$  is mentioned in  $\mathcal{U}$ . 2. 868. The name was connected either with  $\Phi\theta\epsilon\iota\rho$ , son of Endymion, or with  $\Phi\theta\epsilon\iota\rho\epsilon$ , "pinecones." It may be Mount Latmos or Mount Grion in Caria.

1384. The Carians were the earliest mercenaries.

 χλεύην ύλακτήσασα, κηκάση γάμους νυμφεῖα πρὸς κηλωστὰ καρβάνων τελεῖν.
Οἱ δ' αὖ τέταρτοι τῆς Δυμαντείου σπορᾶς, Λακμώνιοί τε καὶ Κυτιναῖοι Κόδροι, οἱ Θίγρον οἰκήσουσι Σάτνιόν τ' ὄρος 1390 καὶ χερσόνησον τοῦ πάλαι ληκτηρίαν θεᾳ Κυρίτᾳ πάμπαν ἐστυγημένου, τῆς παντομόρφου βασσάρας λαμπούριδος

τοκῆος, ἥτ' ἀλφαῖσι ταῖς καθ' ἡμέραν Βούπειναν ἀλθαίνεσκεν ἀκμαίαν πατρός, ὀθνεῖα γατομοῦντος Αἴθωνος πτερά.

1395

'Ο Φρὺξ δ', ἀδελφὸν αἶμα τιμωρούμενος, πάλιν τιθηνὸν ἀντιπορθήσει χθόνα

λεγούσης δίζεο σεῦ μάλα εὖ θάλερον πόσιν ἢ ἐς ᾿Αθήνας ϸ ἢ ἐς Μίλητον καὶ τάξον πήματα Καρσί (the correction καὶ τάξον for κατάξω is due to Canter, who also reads εὐθαλερὸν for ἐς (or εὖ) θάλερον, translating:— Quaere tibi validus qui conjux fiat Athenis, Vel qui Mileti, quo clades Caribus addas). When Neleus arrived at Miletus he knew that this was where he was to settle by seeing his daughter exposing herself and saying: τίς θέλει μοι συνουσιάσαι; Her earlier name was Πειρώ, changed to Ἦχονηίς on account of her wantonness (ἐλεγαίνειν = ἀκολασταίνειν).

1388. Lycophron regards the colonisation of Doris in Asia Minor as also forming part of the vengeance of Europe on Asia. The descendants of Dymas are the Dorians; one of the three Doric tribes (Hylleis, Dymanes, and Pamphyli) into which each Doric state was

divided took its name from him.

1389. Mount Lacmon was part of the chain of Pindus dividing Thessaly and Epeirus; cf. 1020. Cytina or Cytinium was a city in Doris in central Greece, belonging to the Doric Tetrapolis (Strab. 9. 427). Lycophron thus states that the settlers in Asiatic Doris came from Thessaly and from the Grecian Doris. Κόδροι is = ἀρχαῖοι (κρονικοί Hesych.). There was a proverbial expression  $\pi \rho \epsilon \sigma \beta \dot{\nu} \tau \epsilon \rho o s$  Kόδρου. The Schol. wrongly says that Κόδροι means Athenians taking part in the colonisation of Doris; cf. 1378 n.

1390. The Schol. says that Thigrus is a city in Caria, but nothing

is known of it or Mount Satnius (or Satnium).

1391. The promontory of Triopium was at the point of the Bybassian Chersonese in Caria, at the S. W. corner of Asia Minor. Thither came Erysichthon, who had incurred the wrath of Demeter for having cut down a grove in Thessaly sacred to her. His punishment

At her own body, and at wedlock mocks, To seek a lover in some foreign stews.

The fourth who come are those of Dymas' race,
Old stock of Lacmon's and Cytina's soil,
To dwell at Thigrus and Mount Satnius 1390
And at the point of that peninsula
Possessed by settler whom Demeter loathed,
Father of crafty whore who took all forms
And with her money, earned from day to day,
Relieved the feverish hunger of her sire, 1395
Aethon, who tilled with plough a stranger's bounds.

Again the Phrygian, who would fain avenge His kinsmen's death, shall sack the land which nursed

was a ravenous hunger which led him to exhaust all his royal patrimony and become a beggar. His daughter Mestra received from Poseidon the power of metamorphosis. Her father used to sell her every day and buy food with the price paid, while she, by assuming a new form, escaped from the buyer and came back to her father. Cf. Ov. Met. 8. 873, nunc equa, nunc ales, modo bos, modo cervus abibat, Praebebatque avido non iusta alimenta parenti. For  $\lambda \eta \kappa \tau \eta \rho i \sigma s$  in 966, as a title of Demeter.

1392. Demeter was called  $K \nu \rho i \tau \alpha$  (or  $K \nu \rho \eta \tau \alpha$ ) =  $\Delta \epsilon \sigma \pi \sigma \nu \alpha$ ,  $\pi \alpha \rho \alpha \tau \delta$ 

κυρίαν είναι (Et. Mag.).

1396. Erysichthon is called Αίθων from his insatiable hunger; cf. αἴθοπα λιμόν (Hes. Ορ. 363). By γατομοῦντος Lycophron is pointing to the literal meaning of Ἐρνσίχθων, "tearer up of the earth," "plougher." He came as a stranger from Thessaly to the Dorian Chersonese.  $\pi \tau \epsilon \rho \dot{\alpha}$  is explained as = agri extremitates, but the use of  $\pi \tau \dot{\epsilon} \rho \nu \dot{\epsilon}$  in Eur. I.A. 120,  $\pi \tau \dot{\epsilon} \rho \nu \gamma$  Εὐβοίας, hardly justifies this, and Scheer reads  $\pi \tau \epsilon \rho \dot{\varphi}$ , "ploughshare," from 1072 supr.

1397. Another stage in the vendetta between Europe and Asia is marked by the expedition of Midas the Phrygian against Thrace and Macedonia. By  $\delta \delta \epsilon \lambda \phi \delta \nu$  a  $\delta \epsilon \lambda \phi \delta \nu$  a meant the blood of the Trojans who were considered Phrygians. Midas is avenging the fall of Troy (Holz.). The Schol. says that it means the blood of Cleopatra, but

gives no account of who she was or how she was slain.

1398 sqq. Europa was mother of Minos. In Od. 11. 568 sqq. we find Minos presiding as a judge of disputes in the realm of the dead; later legends assigned to him the office of trying and sentencing the dead in Hades.

τοῦ νεκροτάγου, τὰς ἀθωπεύτους δίκας	
φθιτοΐσι ἡητρεύοντος ἀστεργεῖ τρόπω.	1400
δς δή ποτ' ἀμφώδοντος ἐξ ἄκρων λοβῶν	
φθέρσας κύφελλα καλλυνεῖ παρωτίδας,	
δαπταίς τιτύσκων αίμοπώταισιν φόβον.	
τῷ πᾶσα Φλεγρὰς αἶα δουλωθήσεται	
Θραμβουσία τε δειράς ή τ' ἐπάκτιος	1405
στόρθυγξ Τίτωνος αΐ τε Σιθόνων πλάκες	
Παλληνία τ' ἄρουρα, τὴν ὁ βούκερως	
Βρύχων λιπαίνει, γηγενων ὑπηρέτης.	
Πολλῶν δ' ἐναλλὰξ πημάτων ἀπάρξεται	
Κανδαΐος η Μάμερτος, η τί χρη καλείν	1410
τὸν αίμοφύρτοις έστιώμενον μάχαις;	
Οὐ μὰν ὑπείξει γ' ἡ 'πιμηθέως τοκάς,	
άλλ' ἀντὶ πάντων Περσέως ἕνα σπορᾶς	
στελεῖ γίγαντα, τῷ θάλασσα μὲν βατὴ	
πεζῷ ποτ' ἔσται, γῆ δὲ ναυσθλωθήσεται	1415
ρήσσοντι πηδοῖς χέρσον. οἱ δὲ Λαφρίας	
οἷκοι Μαμέρσας, ήθαλωμένοι φλογὶ	

1401. The story was that Midas, when judging a musical contest between Pan and Apollo, decided in favour of Pan, and Apollo punished him by giving him ass's ears. Lycophron apparently follows a version that Midas cut off  $(\phi\theta\epsilon\rho\sigma\alpha s = \lambda\pi\sigma\kappa\delta\psi\alpha s, Schol.)$  the ears, and, to conceal the disfiguring wounds, invented the tiara, which, according to the usual version, he invented to hide the ears themselves; cf. Ov. Met. 11. 180, ille quidem celat turpique onerata pudore Tempora purpureis tentat velare tiaris. Holzinger takes  $\phi\theta\epsilon\rho\sigma\alpha s$  as a painter's term for mixing colours, i.e. Midas blended the natural colour of the ears with the bright hues of the tiara. Ciaceri assumes that  $\phi\theta\epsilon\rho\sigma\alpha s$  can mean "making to disappear (under the tiara)."

1403. The flapping of the bands of the tiara frightened the

flies.

1404 sqq. The Phlegraean plain was in the peninsula of Pallene in Thrace; cf. 115, 127, 526. Thrambus was a cape in S. E. Pallene. Titon was a cape or mountain in Chalcidice; the name suggests the Titans, the giants of Pallene. For Sithonia see on 1356. The

That lord of Hades, who, with temper stern, Gives to the dead his judgments uncorrupt. 1400 He on a time shall shear his ass's ears E'en from the roots, and then his temples deck, Affrighting thus the flies that thirst for blood. By him all Phlegra's land shall be enslaved, And Thrambus' jutting peak, and on the coast 1405 The headland Titon and Sithonian wolds. Also Pallene's fields enriched by streams Of bull-horned Brychon who the giants helped. Many fresh blows to one or other deals Candaeus or Mamertus or the god, 1410 However called, who feasts on bloody fights. Yet Epimetheus' mother shall not yield! In place of all one giant sends she forth Of Perseus' stem, who on the sea shall walk As on a footpath, and sail o'er the land, 1415 Smiting the ground with oar-blades. And the house Of Laphrian Mamersa, burnt with fire,

Brychon was a river near Pallene; the river-god helped the giants in

their fight against the gods.

1409-11. Lycophron briefly refers to the various alternations in the conflict between Europe and Asia, till we come down to the invasion of Europe by Xerxes in historical times. For Κανδαίος and Μάμερτος, titles of Ares, see on 938.

1412. 'Aoin, mother of Prometheus (1283), was also mother of

Epimetheus.

1413. The Persians were said to have taken their name from Perses,

son of Perseus and Andromeda.

1414. The γίγαs is Xerxes, who crossed the sea on foot by making the bridge of boats across the Hellespont, and went on ships over the

land by cutting the canal through Mount Athos.

1417. Μάμερσα is Athene, as goddess of war; with this Sabine title cf.  $M\acute{a}\mu\epsilon\rho\tau$ os (1410). For  $\Lambda a\phi\rho\acute{a}$  see on 356, 985. The burning of the Acropolis and the temple of Athene at Athens is described in Hdt. 5. 77; 8. 51 sqq.

σύν καλίνοισι τειχέων προβλήμασι, τον χρησμολέσχην αιτιάσονται βλάβης, ψαίνυνθα θεσπίζοντα Πλούτωνος λάτριν. 1420 στρατώ δ' αμίκτω πασα μεν βρωθήσεται, φλοιώτιν εκδύνουσα δίπλακα σκέπην. καρποτρόφος δρύς άγριάς τ' όρειθαλής. απας δ' αναύρων νασμός αὐανθήσεται, γανδόν κελαινήν δίψαν αιονωμένων. 1425 κύφελλα δ' ίων τηλόθεν ροιζουμένων ύπερ κάρα στήσουσι, Κίμμερός θ' ὅπως, σκιά καλύψει πέρραν, άμβλύνων σέλας. Λοκρον δ' όποῖα παῦρον ἀνθήσας ῥόδον, καὶ πάντα φλέξας, ώστε κάγκανον στάχυν, 1430 αδθις παλιμπλώτοιο γεύσεται φυγής, μόσσυνα φηγότευκτον, ώς λυκοψίαν κόρη κυεφαίαν, ἄγχι παμφαλώμενος, χαλκηλάτω κνώδουτι δειματουμένη. Πολλοί δ' άγωνες καὶ φόνοι μεταίχμιοι 1435

1418. When the Athenians consulted the oracle at Delphi, they were told that even if the Persians entered Athens they should still be saved by the "wall of wood" (i.e. their fleet), and they understood this to mean the palisade of wood with which they had surrounded the Acropolis; hence their indignation against the oracle when they saw the Acropolis consumed by fire.

1420. Pluto was the god of the underworld, and at Delphi there was a chasm in the earth from which issued exhalations which affected the mind and utterance of the priest or priestess. One Schol. explains Πλούτωνος λάτριν as τοῦ "Αιδου τον ἄγγελον, i.e. the oracle of Delphi was a real messenger of death to the Athenians who remained to guard the Acropolis, and Holzinger thinks there is a reference to Hermes  $\psi v \chi o \pi o \mu \pi \delta s$ .

1421 sqq. In Hdt. 8. 115 we read how even the leaves and bark of trees were eaten by the army of Xerxes on its return march through Thrace. For rivers drunk dry by the Persian host see Hdt. 7. 58, 109,

196.

1426. At Thermopylae the Spartan Dieneces refused to be dismayed by the report that the Persians obscured the sun by the multitude of Together with the wooden battlements
Shall charge the seer with having worked their doom
By lying prophecies as Pluto's priest. 1420
And by that savage host shall be devoured,
Stripped even of their double layer of bark,
Both the fruit-bearing and wild mountain trees.
And every flowing torrent shall be drained,
When with big gulps they slake their raging thirst. 1425

Their arrows, which come whizzing from afar,
Form clouds o'erhead, and, like Cimmerian gloom
Which dims the light, their shadow veils the sun.
But brief his bloom as that of Locrian rose!
Now everything he burns like corn-crops dry, 1430
Anon he tastes of flight back home by sea,
Dismayed descrying close an oaken tower,
Like to a maiden in the twilight dusk
By robber's bronze-wrought sword-blade terrified.

Much struggling, many intervening fights 1435

their arrows, replying that the news was good, for, if the arrows obscured the sun, the battle would be in the shade.  $\sigma \tau \dot{\eta} \sigma \sigma v \sigma \iota s c$ . of  $\Pi \dot{\epsilon} \rho \sigma \alpha \iota$ .

Κίμμερος (= Κιμμέριος, cf. 695) is here used as a subst. =  $\delta$  Κιμμέριος δνόφος or ζόφος (Holz.). In Et. Mag. 513, 50, Κεμμέριοι = Κιμμέριοι is cited, and also a subst. κέμμερος =  $\delta$ μίχλη; cf. Hesych. κέμμερος  $\dot{\alpha}$ χλύς,  $\dot{\delta}$ μίχλη. Some take σκια as combined with a masc. adj. and a masc. ptcple. ( $\dot{\alpha}$ μβλύνων), citing e.g. Aesch. Ag. 562, Theocr. 15. 119 (where, however, see Cholmeley's note).

1429. The Locrian rose was proverbial for rapid withering; cf. Pollux 5. 102 (of a woman rouging), βόδον παρειαίς φυτεύει αὐθωρὸν

ανθούν και θασσον απανθούν κατά το Λόκρον.

**1432.** The "oaken tower" is the Athenian fleet, the τεῖχος ξύλινον, 1418 n. To explain it of Xerxes' ship renders the passage unintelligible. λυκοψίαν is an accusative of time (νύκτωρ, Schol.). Some understand παμφαλωμένη with κόρη.

1435. The aywes are the various conflicts described in Thucydides and Xenophon between the Greeks and Persians after the invasion of

λύσουσιν ἀνδρῶν οἱ μὲν Αἰγαίαις πάλας δίναισιν ἀρχῆς ἀμφιδηριωμένων, οἱ δ' ἐν μεταφρένοισι βουστρόφοις χθονός, ἕως ᾶν αἴθων εὐνάση βαρὺν κλόνον ἀπ' Αἰακοῦ τε κἀπὸ Δαρδάνου γεγῶς 1440 Θεσπρωτὸς ἄμφω καὶ Χαλαστραῖος λέων, πρηνῆ θ' ὁμαίμων πάντα κυπώσας δόμον ἀναγκάση πτήξαντας 'Αργείων πρόμους σῆναι Γαλάδρας τὸν στατηλάτην λύκον καὶ σκῆπτρ' ὀρέξαι τῆς πάλαι μοναρχίας. 1445 ῷ δὴ μεθ' ἕκτην γένναν αὐθαίμων ἐμὸς

Xerxes. φόνοι μεταίχμιοι may mean (1) bloodshed in the campaigns coming between that of Xerxes and that of Alexander (Wilamowitz), (2) murders in the intervals between campaigns (Holzinger), (3) bloodshed between two armies (L. and S.).

1436-7. For the corrupt reading of the MSS., ἐν γαία πάλας δειναῖσιν ἀρχαῖς, I adopt the conjecture of Kaibel and Wilamowitz, the sea

referred to being the Aegaean.

1439 sqq. Who is this "lion" who is to end the conflict between Europe and Asia? The Schol. and most critics say that it is Alexander the Great. Wilamowitz takes it so. According to him the 'Aργείοι (1443) are the Persians, who are called brothers of Alexander (1442); the "wolf" (1444) is Alexander himself; the rel. & (1446) refers to Alexander; the words μεθ' ἔκτην γένναν αὐθαίμων ἐμδs (1446) mean "mihi post sex generationes cognatus," the six generations being counted backwards—Priam, Laomedon, Ilus, Tros, Dardanus, Zeus; Zeus was father of the Argive Perseus from whom the Argeads (i.e. Macedonian kings) and Persians were descended (Hdt. 7. 150). He says that αὐθαίμων ἐμδs means either the Persians generally or some definite Persian, and decides for one definite Persian, viz. Artabazus, who fought against Alexander, and, after defeat, was held in high honour by him; his daughter Barsine bore to Alexander a son Heracles, and this bound together the two peoples, "quod victor e captiva successorem sustulit." The murder of this Heracles is mentioned by Lycophron, 801 supr.

Holzinger says that the "lion" is Pyrrhus, king of Epeirus 295 B.C., the epithet  $\alpha i\theta\omega\nu$  (1439) pointing to  $\pi\nu\rho\rho\delta s$ . He explains v. 1442 as referring to Pyrrhus' murder of his brother Neoptolemus, the plural  $\delta\mu\alpha i\mu\omega\nu$  being vaguely used. He thinks that vv. 1443-46 refer to the aid given by Pyrrhus to the "wolf" Demetrius Poliorcetes, enabling him to secure the Macedonian sovereignty,  $A\rho\gamma\epsilon i\omega\nu$  (=  $A\rho\gamma\epsilon\alpha\delta\omega\nu$ ) being the house of the Macedonian Heracleidae.  $\alpha i\theta\alpha i\mu\omega\nu$   $\dot{\epsilon}\mu\dot{\delta}s$  is

Shall loose the grip of those who vie for power,
Some on the tossing waves of Aegeus' sea,
Some on the ridges of the ox-ploughed land,
Till a fierce lion lulls to rest the moil,
One sprung from Aeacus and Dardanus,
A Chalastraean and Thesprotian both,
And, dashing to the ground his brothers' house,
Constrains the Argive chiefs in cowering dread
To fawn upon Galadra's warring wolf,
And yield the sceptre of the ancient sway.

1445
With him my kinsman, when six ages pass,

C. Fabricius, the Romans being descended from the Trojans.  $\mu\epsilon\theta$ '  $\xi\kappa\tau\eta\nu$   $\gamma\epsilon\nu\alpha\nu$  means "after six years," and refers to the six years' campaign of Pyrrhus in Italy before he was finally defeated (274 B.C.). The "spoils" (1450) are the acquisition of Lower Italy by the Romans.

Ciaceri takes the "lion" to be Alexander the Great; vv. 1442-46 referring to his conquest of Greece. The Greeks are "brothers" of Alexander, as his father Philip claimed to be a Greek. The "wolf" is Antipater, who was left as vicegerent in Greece when Alexander went to the East. vv. 1446-50 refer to Alexander's conquest of Persia, αὐθαίμων ἐμὸς being the Persians. μεθ' ἔκτην γένναν means in the sixth generation after the campaign of Xerxes (480 B.C.) which Cassandra has last described, i.e. 334-323 B.C., the date of Alexander's conquests. The choicest of the spoils (1450) is Hellenic culture, which Alexander, after conquering Greece, introduced to the East.

1440. Through his mother Olympias Alexander was descended from Pyrrhus (Neoptolemus), son of Achilles and great-grandson of Aeacus, and also from Helenus, son of Priam and descendant of Dardanus. Holzinger, who thinks that Lycophron is referring to Pyrrhus (king of Epeirus) and not to Alexander, connects Pyrrhus with Pyrrhus, son of

Achilles, and with Helenus, son of Priam.

1441. Chalastra was in Macedonia on the Thermaic gulf. Thesprotia was a district in S. W. Epeirus. Alexander was a Thesprotian on the side of his mother Olympias, a Macedonian on his father Philip's side. Holzinger says that Pyrrhus was a Thesprotian by descent, and a Macedonian either by descent on his mother's side, or in the sense that he made himself king of Macedonia for a short period in 288 B.C.

1444. Galadra (or Galadrae, 1342 n.) was a city in Macedonia. It

seems to be used here for Macedonia generally.

1446-1450. In addition to the explanations of these lines mentioned in the note on v. 1439 some earlier views may be noticed. Niebuhr,

είς τις παλαιστής, συμβαλών άλκην δορός πόντου τε καὶ γῆς κεὶς διαλλαγὰς μολών, πρέσβιστος εν φίλοισιν ύμνηθήσεται, σκύλων απαρχάς τὰς δορικτήτους λαβών. 1450 Τί μακοὰ τλήμων εἰς ἀνηκόους πέτρας, είς κύμα κωφόν, είς νάπας δασπλήτιδας βαύζω, κενὸν Ψάλλουσα μάστακος κρότον: πίστιν γαρ ήμων Λεψιεύς ενόσφισε, ψευδηγόροις φήμαισιν έγχρίσας έπη 1455 καὶ θεσφάτων πρόμαντιν ἀψευδή φρόνιν, λέκτρων στερηθείς ων έκάλχαινεν τυχείν. θήσει δ' άληθη. συν κακώ δέ τις μαθών, οτ' ουδεν έσται μηχος ωφελείν πάτραν, την φοιβόληπτον αινέσει χελιδόνα. 1460 Τόσσ' ήγόρευε, καὶ παλίσσυτος ποσίν έβαινεν είρκτης έντός. έν δε καρδία Σειρηνος έστέναξε λοίσθιον μέλος,

who held that the poem was not produced till after the war of Rome with Antiochus (192-188 E.C.), and that it was the work of a younger poet named Lycophron, and not the tragedian, took these lines as referring to Flamininus, the acquisitions made by the Romans in the peace following the defeat of Philip by Flamininus in the Macedonian war (200-196 B.C.) being the ἀπαρχαὶ σκύλων in v. 1450. Welcker also referred 1446-1450 to Flamininus, but attributed the poem to the tragedian Lycophron, with the exception of the two passages on Rome (1226-1280 and 1446-1450), which he regarded as interpolations. See note on 1226. Reichard explains & (1446) as Alexander the Great in the person of one of his successors, viz. Pyrrhus, who was defeated by the Romans, while it is with Alexander in the person of another of his successors, viz. Ptolemy Philadelphus, that the Romans made the treaty in 273 B.C. which is spoken of in 1448-1450. Dehèque takes & as referring exclusively to Alexander in the person of one of his successors, viz. Ptolemy Philadelphus, the words συμβαλών ἀλκήν δορδς meaning, "pour terminer de longues luttes, de sanglants combats," and so vv. 1446-1450 describe the treaty between Rome and Ptolemy in 273 B.C., six generations (or 200 years) after the expedition of Xerxes in 480 B.C.

A peerless wrestler, having joined in fight,
And made a compact touching land and sea,
Shall be extolled as chiefest of his friends,
And take the choicest of the spear-won spoils. 1450

Why, hapless one, to the unhearing rocks,
To the dumb billows, to the eery woods
Do I thus cry, and sound my mouth's vain note?
The Lepsian god of credence me deprived,
And with false slanders overspread my words 1455
And my unerring skill in prophecy.
Robbed of my love which he so longed to win;
Yet he shall prove my truth, and, taught by woes,
When there is now no means to save our land,
Shall many praise the swallow god-inspired. 1460

Thus much she spake, and then rushed back again Into her prison: and within her breast She moaned the last notes of her Siren-song,

<sup>1451.</sup> The prophecies of Cassandra are now ended, and she grieves that none will give her credence till it is too late. Cf. Eur. Phoen. 1762, where Oedipus says: ἀλλὰ γὰρ τί ταῦτα θρηνῶ καὶ μάτην ὀδύρομαι; Aesch. Cho. 882, κωφοῖς ἀϋτῶ καὶ καθεύδουσιν μάτην | ἄκραντα βάζω.

<sup>1452.</sup> In Il. 14. 16 κῦμα κωφόν means a "dumb" (i.e. noiseless) wave. Here the meaning may be "deaf."

<sup>1454.</sup> For Λεψιεύς as a title of Apollo see 1207 n.

<sup>1457.</sup> Cf. 353 sqq., where Cassandra tells of the sufferings brought upon her for having denied to Apollo the joys of love.

<sup>1460.</sup>  $\chi$ ελιδών is used in reference to Cassandra in Aesch. Ag. 1050. The unintelligible language of foreigners was compared by the Greeks to the twittering of swallows; cf.  $\chi$ ελιδονίζειν = βαρβαρίζειν.

<sup>1461.</sup> The watcher who was entrusted with the safe-keeping of Cassandra, having reported her prophecies to Priam, delivers the closing lines as an epilogue, just as he had delivered vv. 1-30 as a prologue.

<sup>1463.</sup> Cassandra's prophetic words are fraught with death and destruction like the songs of the Sirens. Holzinger compares Soph. frag. 777: Σειρῆνας. . θροοῦντε τοὺς Αιδου νόμους.

Κλάρου Μιμαλλών, ἢ Μελαγκραίρας κόπις
Νησοῦς θυγατρός, ἢ τι Φίκιον τέρας,
ἐλικτὰ κωτίλλουσα δυσφράστως ἔπη.
ἐγὼ δὲ λοξὸν ἢλθον ἀγγέλλων, ἄναξ,
σοὶ τόνδε μῦθον παρθένου φοιβαστρίας,
ἐπεί μ' ἔταξας φύλακα λαΐνου στέγης
καὶ πάντα φράζειν κἀναπεμπάζειν λόγον
ἐτητύμως ἄψορρον ὤτρυνας τρόχιν.
δαίμων δὲ φήμας εἰς τὸ λῷον ἐκδραμεῖν
τεύξειεν, ὅσπερ σῶν προκήδεται θρόνων,
σώζων παλαιὰν Βεβρύκων παγκληρίαν.

1464. Apollo had a famous oracle at Claros in Ionia near Colophon, and here Cassandra is spoken of as a prophetess or priestess of Apollo. She is called  $M\iota\mu\alpha\lambda\lambda\omega\nu$  on account of her wild frenzy like that of the maenads. The Mimallones were the priestesses of the orginstic cult of Bacchus. Neso, daughter of Teucer and wife of Dardanus, was mother of the Sibyl.  $M\epsilon\lambda\alpha\gamma\kappa\rho\alphai\rho\alpha$  was a name of the Sibyl at Cumae (1279).

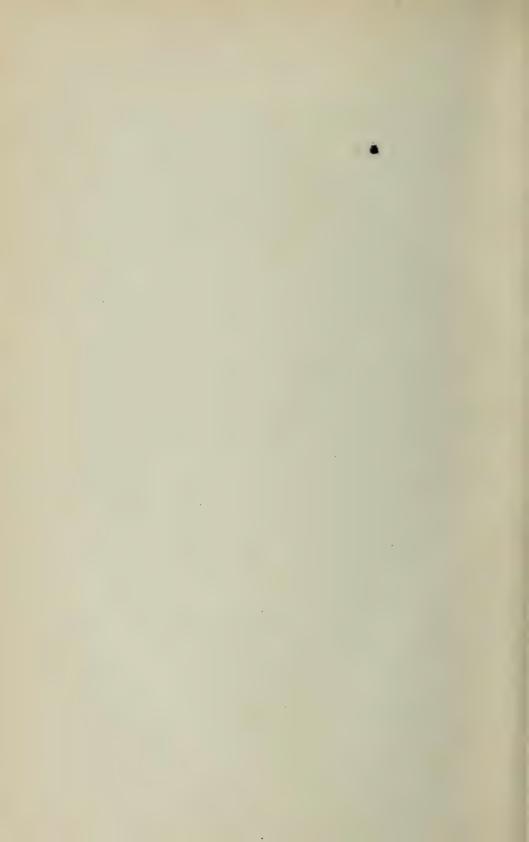
As Clarian Bacchant, or the mouth-piece dark
Of Neso's child Sibylla, or a Sphinx,
Chattering with mazy riddling utterance.
So came I here to tell to thee, O king,
The baffling words of the prophetic maid,
Since thou didst set me her stone cell to guard,
And badest me as messenger to come
1470
With true report recounting all she said.
But may the god to happier issue bring
Her bodings—he who watches o'er thy throne,
Keeping this old Bebrycian heritage!

1465. Hesiod (*Theog.* 326) calls the Sphinx  $\Phi i\xi$ , and the mountain which it haunted near Thebes was called  $\Phi i\kappa \iota o\nu$ . Cassandra was compared to the Sphinx in  $\nu$ . 7.

1469. The stone prison-chamber of Cassandra is described in 349

sqq.

1474. Βεβρύκων = Τρώων; cf. 516 n., 1305.



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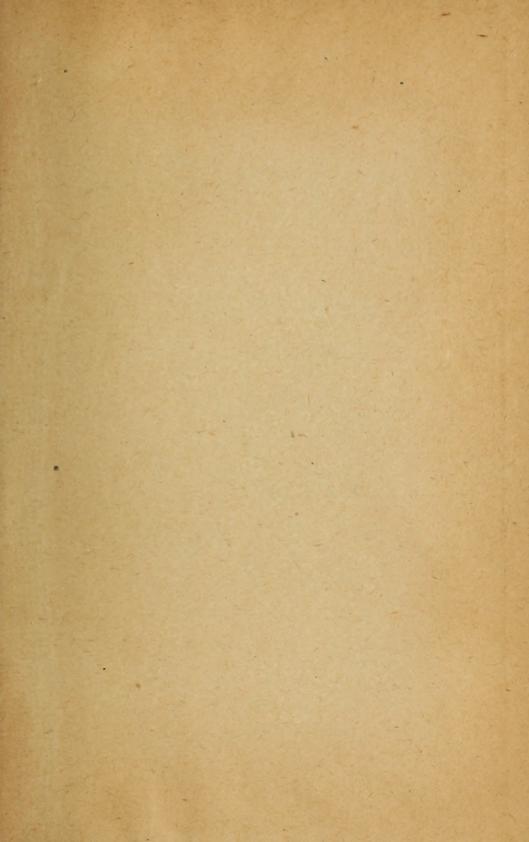
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